

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 193

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND NINE.

AN ACT to amend Section sixty-five of Chapter fifteen of the
Revised Statutes, relating to free high schools.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Section sixty-five of Chapter fifteen of the
2 Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the
3 word "council" in line fifteen the word "and" so that said
4 section when amended shall read as follows:

'Sect 65. Superintendents shall, annually, before the first
6 day of July, make returns under oath to the state superin-
7 tendent on blanks prepared and sent out by him, of the
8 amount appropriated and the amount expended by each
9 town or precinct for instruction in such free high schools
10 during the current year; also of the amount appropriated and

11 the amount expended for common school purposes by each
12 town maintaining the same, the number of weeks during
13 which such schools have been taught; the wages paid each
14 teacher; the number of pupils registered; the average atten-
15 dance; the number of pupils in each branch of study pursued,
16 and the amount received for tuition. If the state superinten-
17 dent is satisfied that the provisions of sections fifty-five to
18 sixty-two have been complied with, he shall certify to the
19 governor and council the sum which each town or precinct is
20 entitled to receive from the State. Any town or precinct,
21 dissatisfied with his decision, may appeal to the governor
22 and council and the governor and council shall issue a cer-
23 tificate to the treasurer of the town or agent of the precinct,
24 for such amount as they adjudge such town or precinct en-
25 titled to receive from the state treasury. Any person con-
26 nected with the management of such free high schools, either
27 as teacher, agent or superintendent, who in any way aids or
28 abets in defrauding the State into the payment in support
29 of said schools of more than is contemplated by this chap-
30 ter, shall forfeit not less than five hundred dollars, or be im-
31 prisoned in the county jail not less than one year.



STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE,

February 16, 1909.

Reported by Mr. KNOWLTON from Committee on Education and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.