

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE.

No. 194

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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

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AN ACT for the safeguarding of schools against danger from  
fire.

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

Section 1. Any building which is used in whole or in part  
2 as a school house shall be provided with proper egresses or  
3 other means of escape from fire sufficient for the use of all  
4 persons therein accommodated. These egresses and means  
5 of escape shall be kept unobstructed, in good repair and ready  
6 for use. Stairways on the outside of the building shall have  
7 suitable railed landings at each story above the first, ac-  
8 cessible at each story from doors or windows and such stair-  
9 ways, doors or windows shall be kept clean of snow, ice and  
10 other obstructions. In school buildings of more than one

11 story there shall be at least two separate means of egress by  
12 inside or outside stairway and each story above the first  
13 shall be supplied with means of extinguishing fire consisting  
14 of pails of water or other portable apparatus or of a hose  
15 attached to a suitable water supply and such appliance shall  
16 be kept at all times ready for use and in good condition.  
17 Upon written notification by the superintending school com-  
18 mittee that any school building does not meet the specifica-  
19 tions herein named the municipal officers of the town shall  
20 at once proceed to correct the defects and any failure so to  
21 act shall render the town liable to the provisions of section  
22 sixteen of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes.



STATE OF MAINE.

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IN SENATE,

February 16, 1909.

Presented by Mr. KNOWLTON of Piscataquis and on motion by Mr. HASTINGS of Oxford tabled for printing.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.