

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 586

House of Representatives, March 14, 1911.

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ordered printed under joint rules.*

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Section forty of Chapter fifteen of the
Revised Statutes as amended, relating to the union of two or
more towns for the employment of a Superintendent of
Schools.

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

Section 1. Section forty of chapter fifteen of the Revised
2 Statutes as amended by chapter fifty-five of the Public Laws
3 of nineteen hundred and seven and by chapter one hundred
4 and twenty-two of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred
5 and nine is further amended by adding to said section as
6 amended the following: 'Provided further in any case where
7 it shall appear to the state superintendent of public schools,
8 upon the representation of the school committees of certain

9 towns that, owing to geographical situation or other reasons
10 it is to the advantage of the state and of the said towns that
11 a union shall include fewer than twenty or more than fifty
12 schools, said superintendent of public schools shall have
13 authority to approve the certificate of such union, and a
14 union so formed shall, except for the number of schools,
15 be governed by the conditions herein prescribed for unions
16 of towns,' so that said section when amended shall read as
17 follows:

'Sect. 40. The school committees of two or more towns,
19 having under their care and custody an aggregate of not
20 less than twenty, nor more than fifty schools, may unite in
21 the employment of a superintendent of schools, provided
22 they have been so authorized by a vote of their towns at the
23 regular town meetings, or special town meetings called for
24 that purpose. Provided further, that such union shall not
25 take effect until the state superintendent of public schools
26 shall have approved the certificate of union as hereinafter
27 provided. But the committee of any town dissatisfied with
28 the decision of the state superintendent may appeal to the
29 governor and council, who shall make the final decision
30 relative thereto. Provided further, in any case where it
31 shall appear to the state superintendent of public schools,
32 upon the representation of the school committees of certain
33 towns that, owing to geographical situation or other reasons
34 it is to the advantage of the state and of the said towns that
35 a union shall include fewer than twenty or more than fifty

36 schools the said state superintendent of public schools shall
37 have authority to approve the certificate of such union, and a
38 union so formed shall, except for the number of schools, be
39 governed by the conditions herein prescribed for unions of
40 towns.'