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SENATE

NO. 209

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Reported by Mr. Fulton from Committee on Education and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. C. HANSON, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend section thirty-seven of chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes relating to the school census returns.

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

Section 1. Section thirty-seven of chapter fifteen of the
Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the
word "years" in the third line thereof the following: "Together with a certified list of the names and ages of such
persons,' and is further amended by adding to said section
the following: "When the state superintendent of schools
on examination of the census returns of any town is of the
opinion that the census has been inaccurately taken he shall
make statement thereof to the Governor and Council who
may require the census of such town to be retaken and returned and, if they think necessary, they may for this pur-

12 pose appoint persons to perform this service and such per-13 sons so appointed shall take the same oath, perform the 14 same service and receive the same compensation out of the 15 same fund as the person or persons who took the school 16 census in the first instance; and the school fund distribut-17 able in proportion to the enumeration of scholars shall be 18 distributed on the corrected returns;' so that said section 19 when amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 37. He shall annually make returns to the state 21 superintendent of public schools, of the number of persons 22 between the ages of five and twenty-one years, together 23 with a certified list of the names and ages of such persons, 24 corrected to the first day of April preceding the time of 25 making such returns, and give full and complete answers 26 to the inquiries contained in the blank forms furnished him 27 by law; certify that such statement is true and correct, ac-28 cording to his best knowledge and belief: and transmit it 29 to the office of the state superintendent on or before the 30 first day of each May. He shall also furnish such other 31 information relating to the public schools as the said super-32 intendent shall at any time require of him. When the state 33 superintendent of schools on examination of the census re-34 turns of any town is of the opinion that the census has been 35 inaccurately taken he shall make statement thereof to the 36 Governor and Council who may require the census of such 37 town to be retaken and returned and, if they think neces-38 sary, they may for this purpose appoint persons to perform 39 this service and such persons so appointed shall take the 40 same oath, perform the same service and receive the same 41 compensation out of the same funds as the person or per-42 sons who took the school census in the first instance; and 43 the school fund distributable in proportion to enumeration 44 of scholars shall be distributed on the corrected returns.'