

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 558

House of Representatives, March 19, 1913.

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W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AMENDMENT "A" TO SENATE BILL NO. 456.

Section 88 of Senate Bill No. 456 is hereby amended by
2 striking out of said section, in lines 63 and 64, the follow-
3 ing: "Any one of the above named holidays," and inserting
4 in place thereof the following: 'Memorial Day, May 30,
5 Independence Day, July 4, Christmas Day, December 25,
6 and Thanksgiving Day, as appointed by the Governor and
7 Council'; also by striking out in lines 68 and 69 the follow-
8 ing: "Upon vote of the superintending school committee of
9 any town"; also by striking out in lines 78, 79, 80, 81, 82
10 and 83 the following: "In the absence of any vote of the
11 superintending school committee said days hereinafter des-
12 ignated shall be observed as legal school holidays with the
13 closing of schools"; also by striking out in lines 82 and 83

14 the following: "Upon vote of the superintending school com-
15 mittee of any town," so that said section as amended shall
16 read as follows:

'Sect. 88. The following days shall be observed as school
18 holidays, namely: Washington's birthday, February twenty-
19 two; Patriot's day, April nineteen; Memorial day, May
20 thirty; Independence day, July four; Labor day, first Mon-
21 day in September; Columbus day, October twelve; Christ-
22 mas day, December twenty-five; Thanksgiving and Arbor
23 days as appointed by the governor and council. Provided,
24 however, that Arbor day shall not be recognized as a school
25 holiday unless observed by teachers and pupils for the pur-
26 pose for which it is designated by the governor and council.
27 And provided, further, that Lincoln day shall be observed
28 by devoting some part of the day to the study of the life
29 and character of Abraham Lincoln. All teachers of public
30 schools in the state may close their schools and draw pay
31 the same as if their schools had been in session on any of
32 the following days: Patriot's day, April nineteen; Memorial
33 day, May thirty; Independence day, July four; Labor day,
34 first Monday in September; Christmas day, December twen-
35 ty-five; Thanksgiving, as appointed by the governor and
36 council. When Memorial day, May thirty, Independence
37 day, July four, Christmas day, December twenty-five, and
38 Thanksgiving day, as appointed by the governor and coun-
39 cil, fall upon a Sunday, the Monday following shall be ob-
40 served as a school holiday, with all the privileges applying

41 to any of the days above named. In addition to the fore-
42 going each of the days hereinafter named shall be observed
43 by teachers and pupils of the public schools of said town
44 by an exercise appropriate thereto, such exercise to be held
45 during such part of the school session as the teacher of
46 each school may designate. The exercises so held shall aim
47 to impress on the minds of the youth the important lessons
48 of character and good citizenship to be learned from the
49 lives of American leaders and heroes and from a contem-
50 plation of their own duties and obligations to the community,
51 state and nation of which they constitute a part.

‘The days thus designated for school observance shall be
53 as follows: Washington’s birthday, February twenty-two;
54 Columbus day, October twelve.’