

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 374

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*In Senate, Feb. 25, 1913.*

*Came from the House referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and on motion by Senator Walker of Somerset, laid on the table for printing, pending reference in concurrence.*

*W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to provide for the taking of land by Academies,  
Institutes, Seminaries and other Schools for school purposes.

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

Section 1. The trustees of any academy, institute, sem-  
2 inary or other school of secondary grade (except a free  
3 high school maintained exclusively by a municipality) main-  
4 taining a standard equal to a Class A high school, and hav-  
5 ing an approval certificate issued by the State Superin-  
6 tendent of Public Schools, may take real estate for the loca-  
7 tion, enlargement or extension of the location, of the

8 grounds of any such academy, institute, seminary or other  
9 school aforesaid, when deemed for the best interests and  
10 promotion of the educational facilities of such academy,  
11 institute, seminary or other school by said trustees; but  
12 no real estate shall be so taken within fifty feet of a dwell-  
13 ing house, and all real estate so taken shall be fenced by  
14 said trustees.

Sect. 2. When a location, enlargement or extension of a  
2 location, for such academy, institute, seminary or other  
3 school named in section one, shall have been decided upon  
4 by the trustees and the owner thereof refuses to sell, or, in  
5 the opinion of such trustees, asks an unreasonable price for  
6 it, or resides without the state and has no authorized agent  
7 or attorney therein, they may lay out such location, enlarge-  
8 ment or extension of location, not exceeding five acres in  
9 the whole, and appraise the damages therefor; and on pay-  
10 ment or the tender of such damages, or if the owner does  
11 not reside in the state, upon depositing such damages with  
12 the clerk of courts for the county in which such land is  
13 located, the trustees designating it may take such lot to be  
14 held and used for the purposes aforesaid.

Sect. 3. If the owner is aggrieved at the location of the  
2 lot, or the damages awarded, he may apply to the county  
3 commissioners within six months after such taking, who  
4 may inspect the location, enlargement or extension of loca-  
5 tion, determine whether or not said lot shall be so taken

6 for such purpose and assess the damages. Said county  
7 commissioners shall determine who shall pay the costs of  
8 such appeal. The determination of said county commis-  
9 sioners regarding the taking of said land, assessment of  
10 damages and costs shall be final.