

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 421

House of Representatives, Feb. 26, 1915.

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

C. C. HARVEY, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

RESOLVE, in favor of the Town of Newfield for the payment of additional State School Funds for the year nineteen hundred and twelve.

Resolved, That there be and hereby is appropriated out of 2 state school funds in favor of the town of Newfield the 3 sum of one hundred and fifty-five dollars and twenty-six 4 cents, such amount being due said town out of state school 5 funds for the year nineteen hundred twelve and not received 6 because of an error in the census return of said town for 7 that year.

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STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The school and mill fund and one-third of the common school fund were apportioned to the cities, towns and plantations of the state on the basis of the number of persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years residing within such municipalities on the first day of April of nineteen hundred and twelve. (Sec. 126, Chap. 15, R. S.; Chap. 177, P. L., 1909.) The number of persons from five to twenty-one years of age was returned by the superintendent of schools of the several municipalities to the state superintendent of public schools. In the return filed by the superintendent of schools of Newfield for that year a list of seventy-seven names of persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years was given. It now appears that the names of at least thirty-three other such persons residing within the town on that date were not included in that return. Evidence of this is offered by a comparison of a certified statement of the present superintendent of schools of that town with the return filed for the year nineteen hundred twelve in the office of the state superintendent of public schools.

On the basis of seventy-seven persons of school age there was apportioned the sum of \$362.29. On the basis of 110 such persons there would have been apportioned the sum of \$517.55. The amount asked for in the accompanying resolve is the difference between the amount of the apportionment on the basis of the census returned and the census which should have been returned, or \$155.26.