

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 65

In Senate, Feb. 10, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Education.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Walker of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN

AN ACT to amend section three of chapter fifty-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred thirteen relating to the state certification of teachers of public schools.

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

Section three of chapter fifty-eight of the public laws of
2 nineteen hundred thirteen is hereby amended by striking
3 out the words "unless he is seventeen years of age and has
4 completed a standard high school or academy course shall
5 be eligible for a certificate," in the sixth, seventh and eighth
6 lines thereof and by substituting in place thereof the fol-
7 lowing: 'shall be eligible for a certificate unless he is at

8 least seventeen years of age and has completed not less than
9 a standard secondary school course or unless he shall pre-
10 sent satisfactory evidence of such educational attainment
11 otherwise secured as may be adjudged by the state super-
12 intendent of public schools to be the equivalent of said
13 standard secondary school course,' so that said section when
14 amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 3. Certificates of qualification signed by the state
16 superintendent of public schools shall be granted to all can-
17 didates who pass satisfactory examinations in such branches
18 as are required or permitted by law to be taught in the pub-
19 lic schools and who in other respects fulfil the proper re-
20 quirements, provided, however, that no person shall be eligi-
21 ble for a certificate unless he is at least seventeen years of
22 age and has completed not less than a standard secondary
23 school course or unless he shall present satisfactory evidence
24 of such educational attainment otherwise secured as may
25 be adjudged by the state superintendent of public schools
26 to be the equivalent of said standard secondary school course.
27 Such certificate shall be either probationary or permanent
28 and shall indicate the grade of schools which the person
29 named therein is qualified to teach. Provided, however, that
30 the certificate may be granted without the examination here-
31 in prescribed to graduates of colleges and Maine state nor-
32 mal schools, or of other normal training schools having a
33 two years' course for graduates of high schools or acad-
34 emies, and to teachers of two years' service and satisfactory

35 fitness, on the presentation of such evidence of fitness and
36 under such special conditions as the state superintendent of
37 public schools may prescribe. Provided, further, that cer-
38 tificates may, under the rules prescribed by the state super-
39 intendent, be granted to persons holding state certificates
40 granted by authority of other states. Provided, further, that
41 any certificate granted under this or any preceding act may
42 for sufficient cause be revoked and annulled.'