# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

### HOUSE NO. 435

House of Representatives, March 1, 1917.

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W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Purington of Mechanic Falls.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN

RESOLVE, in favor of the town of Mechanic Falls for the payment of additional state school funds for the year nineteen hundred fifteen.

Resolved, that there be and hereby is appropriated out of

- 2 state school funds in favor of the town of Mechanics Falls
- 3 the sum of four hundred ten dollars and sixty cents, such
- 4 amount being due said town out of state school funds for the
- 5 year nineteen hundred fifteen and not received because of an
- 6 error in the census return of said town for that year.



#### 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 within such municipalities on the first day of April of nineteen hundred fifteen (Section 126, Chapter 15, R. S.; Chapter 177, P. L., 1909). The number of persons from five to twenty-one years of age was returned by the superintendents of schools of the several municipalities to the state superintendent of schools. In the return filed by the superintendent of schools of Mechanic Falls for that year a list of the names of three hundred fifty-six persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years was given. It now appears that the names of ninety other such persons residing within the town on that date were not included in that return. Evidence of this is furnished by a comparison of a certified statement of the superintendent of schools of that town with the return filed for the year nineteen hundred fifteen in the office of the state superintendent of public schools.

On the basis of three hundred fifty-six persons of school age there was apportioned the sum of \$2,548.74. On the basis of four hundred forty-six such persons there would have been apportioned the sum of \$2,959.34. The amount asked for in the accompanying resolve is the difference between the amount of the apportionment on the basis of the return and the census which should have been returned, or \$410.60.