

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 596

House of Representatives, March 16, 1917.

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W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Seventy-eight of Chapter Four of
the Revised Statutes Relative to State Stipend for Public
Libraries.

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

Section seventy-eight of chapter four of the revised statutes
2 is hereby amended by striking out the words "state Auditor"
3 in the third line thereof and substituting in place thereof the
4 words 'Maine library commission,' and by inserting after the
5 word "thereof" in the seventh line the words 'the commis-
6 sion may certify as to grade and quality of service per-
7 formed by the library,' and by striking out the words "equal

8 to" in the ninth line thereof and substituting in place thereof,
9 the words 'not exceeding,' so that said section as amended
10 shall read as follows:

'Sect. 78. The municipal officers in any town or city, and
2 the assessors of any village corporation where a free public
3 library is established, shall annually, on the first day of May,
4 certify to the Maine library commission the amount of
5 money appropriated and expended by said town, city or vil-
6 lage corporation during the preceding year, for the purchase
7 of books and documents for the use and benefit of such free
8 public library, and for the payment of the running expenses
9 thereof; the commission may certify as to grade and quality
10 of service performed by the library; and the governor, with
11 the advice and consent of the council, shall draw a warrant
12 on the treasurer of state for the purchase of books for the
13 use of such library, for a sum not less than seven per cent
14 nor more than ten per cent of the amount expended by said
15 town or village corporation as certified by its municipal
16 officers or assessors.' Provided that no town shall receive
17 annually more than five hundred dollars.