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#### **NEW DRAFT**

### SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

#### SENATE

NO. 234

In Senate, March 19, 1919.

Reported by Mr. Walker from Committee on Education and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

#### STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section One Hundred Twenty-two of Chapter Sixteen of the Revised Statutes Relating to the Duties of the State Superintendent of Public Schools and Providing for the Teaching of Common School Subjects in the English Language.

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

Paragraph VII of section one hundred twenty-two of

- 2 chapter sixteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended
- 3 by striking out all of said paragraph and substituting in
- 4 place thereof the following:

'Paragraph VII. To prescribe the studies to be taught

2 in the public schools and in private schools approved for

3 attendance and tuition purposes, reserving to superintend-4 ing school committees, trustees or other officers in charge 5 of such public or private schools the right to prescribe 6 additional studies, and the course of study prescribed by 7 the state superintendent of public schools shall be followed 8 in all public schools and in all private schools approved by 9 the state superintendent for attendance or tuition purposes; 10 provided, however, that upon the approval by the state su-II perintendent of any course arranged by the superintend-12 ing school committee of any town, or by the trustees or 13 other officers of any private school, said course shall be 14 the authorized course for said town or private school; pro-15 vided, further, that the basic language of instruction in 16 the common school branches in all schools, public and pri-17 vate, shall be the English language. Nothing in this sec-18 tion shall be construed to prohibit the teaching in elemen-19 tary schools of any language as such.'