

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 238

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In Senate, March 21, 1919.

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

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Brewster of Dexter.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to Amend Section Thirty-three of Chapter Sixteen of the Revised Statutes Relating to Vacancies in the Membership of Superintending School Committees.

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

Section thirty-three of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes is amended by adding to said section the following words: 'In case any member of the superintending school committee shall remove from the town or be absent for more than ninety days a vacancy shall be declared to exist and the remaining members shall within thirty days thereafter choose another member as hereinbefore provided.

8 Whenever the remaining members are unable to agree upon  
9 a person to fill a vacancy the same may be filled by elec-  
10 tion at a town meeting called for the purpose,' so that said  
11 section when amended shall read as follows :

'Sect. 33. School committees first chosen shall designate  
2 by lot a member or members to hold office for one, two  
3 and three years respectively, in manner as follows: one  
4 for one year, one for two years and one for three years;  
5 and they shall certify such designation to the town clerk  
6 to be by him recorded; and thereafterwards one member  
7 shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the town,  
8 to hold office for three years. Said committee may fill  
9 vacancies occurring between annual meetings, and the term  
10 of office of any member of the committee so chosen shall  
11 expire at the next annual meeting. No member of the  
12 superintending school committee of any town shall be em-  
13 ployed as a teacher in any public school in said town. In  
14 case any member of the superintending school committee  
15 shall remove from the town or be absent for more than  
16 ninety days a vacancy shall be declared to exist and the  
17 remaining members shall within thirty days thereafter  
18 choose another member as hereinbefore provided. When-  
19 ever the remaining members fail to appoint a person to  
20 fill a vacancy the same may be filled by election at a town  
21 meeting called for the purpose.'