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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 213

In Senate, April 4, 1921.

Reported by Mr. Emery from Committee on Indian Affairs
and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE**

AN ACT to Regulate Certain Internal Affairs of the Passama-
quoddy Tribe of Indians.

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

Section 1. The school at the Pleasant Point Reservation
2 shall be under the care and supervision of the superintend-
3 ent of schools of the town of Perry or of the school union
4 of which Perry may be a member. The school at Peter
5 Dana's Point shall be under the care and supervision of the
6 superintendent of schools of the town of Princeton, or of
7 the school union of which Princeton may be a member.
8 Said superintendents shall visit said schools at least four
9 times during each school term; regulate the grades and
10 courses of study; assist the teachers and scholars by coun-

11 sel, or discipline; and make report once each year to the
12 agent and to the Governor and Council, noting therein such
13 facts and information as may seem of importance in the in-
14 terest of education among the Indians of said reservation,
15 or as may be required by the Governor and Council. The
16 Governor and Council are hereby authorized to pay said
17 superintendents reasonable compensation for said services;
18 but the compensation shall not be less than one hundred dol-
19 lars in each case, and shall be paid out of the State fund for
20 the superintendence of school unions.

Sect. 2. It shall be the duty of the police officer at Pleas-
2 ant Point and at Peter Dana's Point, in addition to the regu-
3 lar duties of his office, to act as a school attendance officer.
4 Said police officer shall receive the salary provided in the
5 appropriation made by the legislature, and fifty dollars in
6 addition thereto at Pleasant Point, and twenty-five dollars
7 at Peter Dana's Point, in consideration of the extra duties
8 herein provided for. Such salary and such additional sum
9 shall be payable by the agent quarterly, but no such pay-
10 ment shall be made unless it shall appear from the records
11 of attendance at the school in the reservation in which the
12 police officer is acting, that the attendance at the school
13 shall have been maintained at not less than two-thirds of the
14 total registration of children of school age, as defined by the
15 laws of the State of Maine, during the quarter for which
16 payment is due; provided that absences caused by epidem-
17 ics, regular school holidays and the necessary absence of

18 pupils from the reservations shall not be counted against
19 the said attendance average. Said sums for attendance offi-
20 cers shall be paid out of the appropriations for the Passa-
21 maquoddy Tribe of Indians.

Sect. 3. The duty of caring for the health of the residents,
2 and for the general sanitation of the reservations at Pleasant
3 Point and at Peter Dana's Point, shall be vested in a per-
4 son who shall be appointed by and hold office during the
5 pleasure of the Governor and Council, and who shall exer-
6 cise all the powers, rights and privileges of a local board of
7 health and health officer, as defined by the laws of the State
8 of Maine. Said person shall have received training equiva-
9 lent to that of a graduate nurse or of a nurse Sister of the
10 Order of Sisters of Mercy and shall receive as compensa-
11 tion not less than five hundred dollars per year, to be paid
12 out of the appropriation for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of
13 Indians. Said person shall, as nearly as may be, spend two-
14 thirds of his or her time at the reservation at Pleasant Point,
15 and one-third at the reservation at Peter Dana's Point; and
16 shall at all times act under the direction of the State Com-
17 missioner of Health.