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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 366

House of Representatives, March 10, 1923.

Reported by Mr. Wood from Committee on Education and
ordered printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Wood of Blue Hill.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Amend Section Eighty-four of Chapter Sixteen
of the Revised Statutes Relating to Contracts with
Academies.

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

Section eighty-four of chapter sixteen of the revised
2 statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "tui-
3 tion" and substituting therefor the words 'schooling of
4 pupils' where said word occurs and by striking out the
5 words "the eleven preceding sections" and substituting
6 therefor the words 'section seventy-three of this chapter'
7 and by striking out the words "when such contract has been
8 made with the trustees of an academy, a joint committee

9 for the selection of teachers and the arrangement of the
10 course of study in such academy shall include the superin-
11 tending school committees of the contracting towns with
12 an equal number of members of the board of trustees of
13 such academy when such academy has less than twenty-five
14 thousand dollars endowment' and substituting therefor the
15 following: 'when the amount to be paid under the contract
16 shall equal or exceed the income of the academy for the
17 preceding year, exclusive of sums paid said academy by
18 the contracting town, a joint committee shall be formed
19 consisting of the superintending school committee of said
20 town and an equal number of the trustees of the academy.
21 Said joint committee shall be empowered to select and
22 employ the teachers for the academy, to fix salaries, to
23 arrange the course of study, to supervise the instruction
24 and to formulate and enforce proper regulations pertaining
25 to the educational activities of the school. The superin-
26 tendent of schools of the contracting town in which the
27 academy is located shall be secretary ex-officio of the joint
28 committee and shall be assigned such supervisory duties
29 in connection with the school as the joint committee shall
30 determine. When a town has made a contract as provided
31 for in this section the tuition liability of said town shall be
32 the same as if a free high school were maintained in ac-
33 cordance with section seventy-three of this chapter,' so that
34 the section when amended shall read as follows:

'Any town which does not maintain a free high school of

2 standard grade may, from year to year, authorize its super-
3 intending school committee to contract with and pay the
4 superintending school committee of any adjoining town or
5 the trustees of any academy located within such town or in
6 an adjoining town, for the schooling of pupils within said
7 town in the studies contemplated by section seventy-three
8 of this chapter. When the amount to be paid under the
9 contract shall equal or exceed the income of the academy
10 for the preceding year, exclusive of sums paid said academy
11 by the contracting town, a joint committee shall be formed
12 consisting of the superintending school committee of said
13 town and an equal number of the trustees of the academy.
14 Said joint committee shall be empowered to select and
15 employ the teachers for the academy, to fix salaries, to
16 arrange the course of study, to supervise the instruction
17 and to formulate and enforce proper regulations pertaining
18 to other educational activities of the school. The superin-
19 tendent of schools of the contracting town in which the
20 academy is located shall be secretary ex-officio of the joint
21 committee and shall be assigned such supervisory duties in
22 connection with the school as the joint committee shall
23 determine upon. When a town has made a contract as
24 provided for in this section the tuition liability of said town
25 shall be the same as if a free high school were maintained
26 in accordance with section seventy-three of this chapter,
27 and the expenditure of any town for schooling of pupils as
28 provided in this section shall be subject to the same con-

ditions and shall entitle such town to the same state aid as
if it had made such expenditure for a free high school.'