# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

#### **House Document**

No. 394

H. P. 262

House of Representatives, Mar. 11, 1927.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Holman of Bangor.

#### STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Equal School Privileges for All Pupils.

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

Section twenty of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes

- 2 of nineteen hundred sixteen is hereby amended by inserting
- 3 after the word "thirty" in line four the word 'two' and by
- 4 striking out the word "annually" in the same line and in-
- 5 serting the following: 'in nineteen hundred twenty-eight. In
- 6 nineteen hundred twenty-nine, all schools shall be main-
- 7 tained not less than thirty-four weeks and after the year
- 8 nineteen hundred thirty all schools shall be maintained for
- 9 a minimum of thirty-six weeks,' so that section twenty shall 10 read as follows:
  - 'Sect. 2. Equal school privileges shall be provided for all

2 pupils. R. S. c. 15, s. 17. 1909, c. 29. 1915, c. 89. The 3 school moneys of every town shall be so expended as to 4 give as nearly as practicable the same aggregate annual 5 length of terms in all its schools, and every town shall make 6 provision for the maintenance of all its schools for not less 7 than thirty-two weeks in nineteen hundred twenty-eight. 8 In nineteen hundred twenty-nine, all schools shall be main-9 tained not less than thirty-four weeks and after the year 10 nineteen hundred thirty all schools shall be maintained for 11 a minimum of thirty-six weeks. Any town failing to main-12 tain its schools as provided in this section shall be debarred 13 from drawing its state school moneys until it shall have 14 made suitable provisions for so maintaining them there-15 after.'