

EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 46

S. P. 66

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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary. Presented by Senator Weeks of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relative to Tuition in Secondary Schools.

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

'Sect. 93. A youth residing in town not supporting a secondary school may attend such school elsewhere; tuition to be paid by town free tuition while youth maintains satisfactory standards. R. S. c. 16, § 85. 1917, c. 229. 1919, c. 96. 1927, c. 176. Any youth who resides with a parent or guardian in any town which does not support and maintain a standard secondary school may attend any approved secondary school to which he may gain entrance by permission of those having charge thereof, provided the said youth shall attend a school or schools whose courses are approved by the state commissioner of education, and in such case the tuition of said youth, not to exceed one hundred twenty-five dollars annually for any one youth, shall be paid by the town in which he resides as aforesaid, and said tuition so paid, shall be made a part of the high school fund of the town receiving the same; and towns shall raise annually, as other school moneys are raised, a sum sufficient to pay such tuition charges; provided, however, that no youth shall be entitled to free tuition under the provisions of this section unless he shall have satisfactorily passed an examination in common school branches, said examination having been given under the direction of the superinLEGISLATIVE DOCUMENT No. 46

tendent of schools of the town wherein such youth resides, on papers procured from the state commissioner of education, or unless such youth shall have satisfactorily completed a standard common school course of study which has been approved by the state commissioner of education; except that any youth who has satisfactorily completed the course of a B class or junior high school, as provided by section eightythree, shall be entitled to his free tuition, as hereinbefore provided, for the completion of the four years of a standard secondary course without the examination herein prescribed; provided, further, that such free tuition privilege shall continue only so long as said youth shall maintain a satisfactory standard of deportment and scholarship. Any youth who otherwise meets the requirements of this section with reference to admission to secondary schools shall be entitled to the payment of his tuition, as herein provided, in any high school of the B class or junior high school for such part of the course of such high school as may be approved as equivalent in grade to the corresponding years of a standard secondary course. Superintendents of schools shall issue certificates of free tuition privilege to persons who may be entitled to free tuition under the provisions of this section. Any school receiving tuition pupils under the provisions of this section shall provide, without additional charge, all text-books, apparatus, and appliances used by said pupils, subject to the provisions of sections twenty-two to twenty-four, inclusive of this chapter.'

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