

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 56

H. P. 83 House of Representatives, Jan. 22, 1931.
Referred to Committee on Education and 500 copies ordered
printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Allen of Sanford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to State Aid for Academies.

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

State Aid to Academies. Section one hundred five of chapter nineteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out in the twenty-eighth line of sub-section II of said section the words "no academy which was not recognized for state aid in nineteen hundred and twenty-eight" and by substituting in place thereof the following words: 'that only those academies that received state aid under the provisions of chapter two hundred forty-seven of the resolves of nineteen hundred twenty-seven', so that sub-section II of said section as amended shall read as follows:

'II. For the purpose of placing the academies and institutions of the state which provide instruction beyond the secondary schools but less than four years of college, on an educational basis with definite financial aid, the commissioner of education, with the approval of the governor and council, is authorized to issue to such academies as come within the provision set up by the statutes, and in addition to the provisions above stated, and in the same manner, funds as follows: academies with an enrolment of from twenty to forty pupils, twenty dollars per capita; forty-one to sixty pupils, eighteen dollars per capita; sixty-one to eighty pupils, sixteen dollars per capita; eighty-one to one hundred pupils, fourteen dollars per

capita; one hundred and one to one hundred and fifty pupils, twelve dollars per capita; one hundred and fifty-one to two hundred pupils, ten dollars per capita; over two hundred pupils, eight dollars per capita; provided, when a slight increase in attendance would cause an institution to receive a reduced amount, the commissioner of education shall have authority to make an adjustment. In addition to the sums required for distribution on the above provision, the commissioner of education shall issue such amounts and to such institutions as may be directed by the legislature, but in no case shall the amounts distributed to the academies of the state, automatically or by resolve, exceed the amount provided herein, and there shall be appropriated annually one hundred five thousand dollars to be deducted from the state school fund. It shall be the duty of the commissioner of education to furnish to the education committee of the legislature biennially, and at such times as it may require, a statement of the sums necessary for distribution under the provisions of this subdivision so that the legislature may know the amount available as an adjustment fund within the sum provided. Provided, the restrictions of sections one hundred seven, one hundred eight, one hundred nine, and one hundred ten shall not apply to the distribution of the per capita allowances or the adjustment fund; provided, further, that only those academies that received state aid under the provisions of chapter two hundred forty-seven of the resolves of nineteen hundred twenty-seven shall be eligible to share in the per capita allowance. Institutions having incomes of over twenty-five hundred dollars from invested funds shall not receive per capita allowance but may share in the adjustment fund.'