

# EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

#### No. 157

In Senate, Jan. 28, 1931.

Read and accepted and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary. Presented by Senator Spear of Cumberland.

## STATE OF MAINE

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

### STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AUDITOR

Augusta, January 27, 1931.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I refer to you under a separate resolve certain deficiencies and anticipated deficiencies amounting in total to \$170,675.88; of these \$13,894.63 are referred to you under Section 100, of Chapter 2, Revised Statutes which reads in part "... whenever any appropriation or fund is expended all bills and accounts presented to the State Auditor and drawn on said expended appropriation shall not be approved by him, but shall be reported by him to the next session of the Legislature."

Inasmuch as lapsed balances of the State Commissioner of Education accrue to the school fund and not to the State Contingent Fund, I suggest that in acting upon these, authority to pay, if granted, should require the amount of \$4,678.00 to be deducted from the permanent school fund.

One claim in favor of Wilbur H. Gauthier, of Benedicta, \$36.00, is for sheep destroyed by bears while being pastured in Township 2, Range 6, Penobscot County. As the law provides that the municipal officers of the town where the animals are destroyed shall approve same, and as this is an unorganized place, I had no authority to pay the same.

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The bills and correspondence relative to the deficiencies as reported by me are on file in the office of the State Auditor and will be furnished to the Committee on application.

Very truly yours,

ELBERT D. HAYFORD, State Auditor.