

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 235

H. P. 715

House of Representatives, Jan. 29, 1931.

Referred to Committee on Education and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. MacPherson of Easton.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Instruction in Accident Prevention in the
Public Schools.

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

Section 1. Public safety and accident prevention to be taught. Instruction must be given in every elementary and secondary school in the state in the subjects of public safety and accident prevention primarily devoted to avoidance of the hazards upon streets and highways.

Sect. 2. Rules and regulations to be adopted; manual to be issued. It shall be the duty of the state department of education: (a) To adopt such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary and proper to secure instruction in public safety and accident prevention in the elementary and secondary schools of this state in accordance with the provisions of this act.

(b) To compile or cause to be compiled and printed a manual in public safety and accident prevention, primarily devoted to avoidance of hazards incident to the use of the streets and highways for distribution to teachers in the public elementary and secondary schools of this state.

Sect. 3. Course in public safety for teachers. The state department of education in standardizing the courses of instruction offered in the state normal schools and state teachers

colleges shall prepare a course in public safety and shall make the completion of such course a requirement for graduation.

Sect. 4. Duty of commissioner of education and other school officials. It shall be the duty of the commissioner of education to make arrangements for carrying out the provisions of this act and it shall be the duty of the superintendent of schools of every city and town, and of every board of education, board of trustees, or municipal school board to require that instruction in public safety be given in the schools under their jurisdiction or control, as provided in this act.

Sect. 5. Chapter 19 amended. All sections of chapter nineteen that are in conflict herewith or that do not embody the provisions herein enacted are amended to conform herewith.