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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk. Presented by Mr. Tompkins of Houlton.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Election of School Committees.

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

Section sixty-six of chapter nineteen of the revised statutes of Maine is hereby amended by adding after the word "having" in the second line thereof the following: 'a population of over six thousand, or,' and by adding to said section the following words: 'Any city or town having over six thousand population and having under its care and custody an aggregate of less than fifty schools may by vote of the proper city officials, in the case of cities, or at any legal meeting under a proper warrant for the purpose, in the case of towns, vote to employ a superintendent of schools without uniting with other cities or towns for the purpose, but, in the event of the failure of a city or town so to vote, the city or town not so voting shall still be subject to the provisions of law in relation to school unions for the employment of superintendents of schools. Any city or town so voting to employ a superintendent of schools without uniting with other cities or towns for the purpose shall not, by reason of such vote, be deprived of any monies to which it would otherwise be entitled in the event of its remaining within such union,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 66. The superintending school committee of a city

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or town having a population of over six thousand or under its care and custody an aggregate of more than fifty schools may employ a superintendent of schools without uniting with other cities and towns for the purposes. Said superintendent of schools shall be chosen in the same manner and for the same term, his salary shall be fixed, and he may be discharged under the same conditions as superintendents employed under the provisions of section sixty-four. Annually, in the month of December the chairman and secretary of said committee shall certify to the state commissioner of education, upon forms prescribed by him, all fact relative to the employment of a superintendent including the amount of the salary received; then upon the approval of said certificate by the state commissioner of education and presentation to the governor and council, a warrant shall be drawn upon the treasurer of state for the payment to the treasurer of that town or city, of a sum equal to the amount expended by said town or city for said superintendence, provided that the amount to be paid for the benefit of a single town or city shall not be at a rate exceeding twelve hundred dollars for one year. Any city or town having over six thousand population and having under its care and custody an aggregate of less than fifty schools may by vote of the proper city officials, in the case of cities, or at any legal meeting under a proper warrant for the purpose, in the case of towns, vote to employ a superintendent of schools without uniting with other cities or towns for the purpose, but, in the event of the failure of a city or town so to vote, the city or town not so voting shall still be subject to the provisions of law in relation to school unions for the employment of superintendents of schools. Any city or town so voting to employ a superintendent of schools without uniting with other cities or towns for the purpose shall not, by reason of such vote, be deprived of any monies to which it would otherwise be entitled in the event of its remaining within such union.'