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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 426

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Weeks of Dresden.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Supervision of Indian Old Town Schools.

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

Section twenty-seven of chapter seventeen of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following section inserted in place thereof

'Sec. 27. School moneys of tribe, how expended. moneys appropriated for schools for the Penobscot tribe of Indians shall be expended under the supervision of the agent of said tribe, subject to the approval of the governor and council; said agent and the superintendent of the Old Town schools shall jointly employ the teachers and fix their salaries, limited by such appropriation. The schools upon island number one, commonly called Indian Old Town island, shall be under the care and supervision of the superintendent of schools of the city of Old Town; and those within the territorial limits of any other town, under the care and supervision of the superintending school committee of such town. Said superintendent or school committee shall visit such schools at least three times during each school term; regulate the grades and courses of study; assist the teachers and scholars by counsel; and make reports to the agent once each year, noting therein such facts and information as may seem of importance in the interest of

education among said tribe, or as may be required by the governor and council. The superintendent of schools of Old Town shall have such authority over the schools on Indian island as superintendents in any town may have, except as limited by this section. Said superintendent shall be paid from the state appropriation for school superintendents a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars per year for his services. The children of Indian island may have the option of attending the Old Town schools whenever their parents may express a desire for them to so attend and the superintendent of schools shall transfer them to the building appropriate and suitable for their grades.'