

EIGHTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 135

S. P. 134 Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary. Presented by Senator Cooper of Waldo.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

AN ACT Decreasing the Subsidy Contributed by the State Relative to Education.

Emergency Preamble. Whereas, the income of the state from tax receipts is decreasing and during the fiscal years 1933 and 1934, and 1935, will be much less than during the fiscal years 1931 and 1932 and 1933, and

Whereas, certain public acts now in effect provide for the expenditure of large amounts of state tax moneys in the payment of state subsidies for certain educational requirements, and

Whereas, it is necessary in order that the financial condition of the state may be safeguarded during the present economic depression, and the state budget balanced without increasing the tax burden on the citizens of the state, that such subsidies should be curtailed temporarily, and

Whereas in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article 31 of the constitution of Maine, and requires the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety,

Therefore

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

Sec. 1. Subsidy to "union superintendents" reduced. The state sub-

sidy relative to "union superintendents" as provided in sections 65 and 66 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby reduced 10% for each year of the biennium 1933 and 1934, and 1934 and 1935.

Sec. 2. Subsidy to "physical education" reduced. The state subsidy relative to "physical education" as provided in section 183 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby reduced 10% for the years 1933 and 1934, and 20% for the years 1934 and 1935.

Sec. 3. Subsidy to "industrial education" reduced. The state subsidy relative to "industrial education" as provided in chapter 206 of the public laws of 1931, is hereby reduced 10% for the year 1933 and 1934, and 20% for the year 1934 and 1935.

Emergency Clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble hereof, this Act shall take effect when approved.