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S. P. 129

In Senate, January 22, 1935.

Taken from table on motion by Senator Blaisdell of Hancock and on further motion by Senator Blaisdell of Hancock Referred to Committee on Education and 2,000 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Pinansky of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Providing Aid for School Consolidation and for State Supervision of School-Building Placement and Construction.

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

Sec. 1. Provision for aid in construction of consolidated schools and state supervision of same. There shall be paid to any city, town, or plantation in which a new school building has been erected, the plans and location of which have been approved by the commissioner of education, the sum of \$1,000 for each classroom displaced, in 1, 2, 3, or 4 teacher schools. This amount shall be allotted from appropriations made therefor by the legislature, and shall be paid in the same manner as other state aid is paid and at the time of the next annual allotment of aid following the opening of school in the new building and the abandonment of the small schools. To insure greater efficiency in the placement and planning of school buildings in terms of the needs of the children of the state, the commissioner of education may appoint, with the approval of the governor and council, a director of school buildings, whose duty it shall be to survey the school-building needs of the state, particularly in the rural areas, to assist local school officials in planning school buildings upon request, and to examine all school-building projects as to location of site and plan of school buildings to assure the effective operation of this act, and to perform such other duties in the field of school-building planning as the commissioner of education may direct.

The salary of this official shall be determined by the governor and council and, together with the necessary travelling expenses, shall be paid from an appropriation for salaries and general office expenses of the department of education.