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In Senate, February 18, 1937.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Fernald of Waldo by request.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to the Department of Education.

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

Sec. 1. Creation of state board of education. The general supervision of the schools shall be vested in a state board of education to consist of 7 members, 1 from each councilor district, to be appointed by the governor; their compensation shall be fixed by the governor and council.

The first appointment shall be I member for 1 year, 2 members for 2 years, and 2 members for 4 years, and thereafter all appointments shall be made for a term of 4 years, except appointments to fill vacancies, which shall be for the unexpired terms.

Sec. 2. Organization. Said board shall organize with a chairman and vice-chairman, but the commissioner of education shall be the secretary thereof and shall keep its records of proceedings. Said board shall meet at least 4 times a year, on the 1st Mondays of February, May, August and November, and at such other times as appointed by the chairman, or in case of his resignation or disqualification by the vice-chairman; the first meeting shall be at the state capitol on the 2nd Monday next following the confirmation by the council.

- Sec. 3. Duties. The duties of said board shall be the same as now provided in article V of chapter 216 of the public laws of 1931 and those now vested in the state commissioner of education.
- Sec. 4. Appointment of commissioner. Said board shall appoint a commissioner of education whose term shall be during the pleasure of said board and his duties shall be such as may be delegated to him by this board.
- **Sec. 5. Further organization.** Said board shall further organize the department of education, with the approval of the governor and council, under such bureaus and divisions as may be deemed necessary for the satisfactory performance of its functions.
- Sec. 6. Repeal. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.