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No. 487

S. P. 197

In Senate, February 7, 1945.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Leavitt of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Accomplish Conformity to State School Building Standards.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 21, amended. Section 21 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 21. Provision for approval of school building sites and plans by commissioner; he may order inspection and alterations; penalty for failure to comply with state standards. ~~Where the plans and specifications prepared by the commissioner are not used, all superintending school committees of towns in which new schoolhouses are to be erected shall make suitable provision for the heating, lighting, ventilating, and hygienic conditions of such buildings, and all~~ All plans and specifications and sites for location for any ~~such~~ proposed school building and plans for the reconstruction or remodeling of any school building, the expense for which shall exceed \$500, shall be submitted to and approved by the commissioner and the bureau of health before the same shall be accepted by the superintending school committee or school building committee of the town in which it is proposed to erect, reconstruct, or remodel such building. The superintending school committee or the school building committee in charge of the erection of a new school building or of the reconstruction or remodeling of any school building as provided for by this section shall sea-

sonably notify the commissioner of its readiness for occupancy and shall report to the commissioner, on blanks furnished by said commissioner, such facts relative to the arrangement, construction, or reconstruction of said building as shall indicate whether or not the proposals in the plans and specifications previously approved have been met. Whenever it shall appear to the commissioner that such approved plans ~~in their provisions for heating, lighting, ventilating, and hygienic conditions~~ have not been carried out, he may cause an inspection of said building to be made and shall notify said committee of changes required to be made to comply with the conditions previously approved, and it shall be the duty of said committee promptly to rectify said conditions, ~~and failure to do so shall render the town liable to the provisions of section 26.~~

The provisions of this section shall apply to construction, repair or remodeling of all buildings in the state used or to be used for public school purposes which receive state funds even though such school buildings may be built or remodeled by grant of federal funds or located upon federal land within the state.'