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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Roundy of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Duties of Building Committees and District Trustees Re Schoolhouses.

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

R. S., c. 41, § 26, amended. Section 26 of chapter 41 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 26. Heating, lighting and ventilating; readiness for occupancy and specifications; inspection and alterations; liability of town. Where the plans and specifications prepared by the Commissioner are not used, all superintending school committees of towns in which, building committees or district trustees where new schoolhouses are to be erected shall make suitable provision for the heating, lighting, ventilating and hygienic conditions of such buildings, and all plans and specifications 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 or district trustees of the town in which it is proposed to erect, reconstruct or remodel such building. The superintending school committee or the, school building committee or district trustees 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 seasonably 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 or district trustees of changes required to be made to comply with the conditions previously approved, and it shall be the duty of said committee or district trustees promptly to rectify said conditions and failure to do so shall render the town liable to the provisions of section 31.'