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H. P. 410

House of Representatives, February 7, 1957.

Referred to the Committee on Education, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Call of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT Relating to Superintending School Committee of
Town of Cumberland.**

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

Superintending school committee. The Town of Cumberland may choose by ballot at its annual town meeting a superintending school committee of 5 members and shall fill vacancies arising therein at each subsequent annual town meeting.

The school committee first chosen shall designate by lot a member or members to hold office for one, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years, respectively, in manner as follows: one for one year, one for 2 years, one for 3 years, one for 4 years and one for 5 years; and they shall certify such designation to the town clerk to be by him recorded; and thereafter the members shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the Town of Cumberland to hold office for 5 years.

The superintending school committee shall designate three of its members to serve on the joint committee of the school union and they shall be empowered to designate any one member of the three to act for the entire group. The total vote or votes cast by such member of the joint committee shall not exceed three.

Referendum; effective date; certificate to Secretary of State This act shall take effect 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature, only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the Town of Cumberland at any annual or special town meeting held within 2 years of said effective date, an appropriate article being inserted in the call for such meeting. In case a special meeting is called, it shall be called, advertised and con-

ducted according to the law relating to municipal elections, and shall be held at the regular voting place or places in said town; provided, however, that the board of registration shall not be required to prepare, nor the town clerk to post, a new list of voters, and for the purpose of registration of voters said board shall be in session one hour next preceding such special meeting. The town clerk shall prepare the required ballots, on which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall the Act Relating to Superintending School Committee of Town of Cumberland, passed by the 98th Legislature, be accepted?" and the voters shall indicate by a cross or check mark placed against the words "yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. This act shall take effect for all the purposes hereof immediately upon its acceptance by a majority of the legal voters voting at such meeting; provided, however, that the total number of votes cast for and against the acceptance of this act at such meeting equaled or exceeded 20% of the total vote for all candidates for Governor cast in said town at the next preceding gubernatorial election.

The result of the vote shall be declared by the municipal officers of the town of Cumberland and due certificate thereof shall be filed by the town clerk with the Secretary of State.