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S. P. 278

In Senate, February 14, 1957.
Referred to Committee on Education. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Wyman of Washington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Purpose and Aid for Driver Education.

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, § 218-A, amended. Section 218-A of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 475 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 218-A. Purpose. The purpose of sections 218-A and 218-B is to develop the knowledge, attitudes, habits and skills necessary for the safe operation of motor vehicles, through classroom instruction and behind the wheel driving and observation in a dual control automobile, by encouraging superintending school committees of the several municipalities of the State to make provision for this instruction in all the public secondary schools and academies under joint board or contract with the town and academies receiving tuition students as described in section 107.'
- Sec. 2. R. S., c. 41, § 218-B, sub-§ II, amended. Subsection II of section 218-B of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 475 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 'II. Special subsidies shall be paid in September to the eities, towns, plantations municipalities and community school districts for all courses in driver education according to the following plan: \$10 for each pupil satisfactorily completing the driver education course during the school year 1955-1956, and thereafter \$10 for each pupil satisfactorily completing the driver education course for the first year it is instituted in a given school. The subsidy for these continuing courses shall be with and in addition to general purpose aid and shall be computed on the annual salary of the driver education teacher

by adding 25 percentage points to the maximum percentage used in computing subsidy under section 237 preceding school year. Such driver education course shall meet the approval of the Commissioner in regard to teacher qualifications, limitations as to the number of pupils and the course of study offered.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 41, § 105, amended. The first sentence of section 105 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section one of chapter 233 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Any town which does not maintain a free high school of standard grade may authorize its superintending school committee to contract for one to 5 years with and pay the superintending school committee of any nearby town or towns, or the trustees of any academy located within such town or in any nearby town or towns, for the schooling of all or part of the pupils within said town in the studies contemplated by section 98.'