

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

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Chapter 255.

AN ACT additional to an Act, establishing salaries for Judges and Registers of Probate.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That the salary of the Register of Probate for the County of Washington shall hereafter be four hundred and Fifty Dollars instead of the salary now established by law.

Salary of Register of Probate in Washington Co. increased.

[Approved by the Governor February 13, 1837.]

Chapter 256.

AN ADDITIONAL ACT to provide for the education of Youth.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That the fifteenth, sixteenth and twentieth sections of the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the education of Youth," passed March eleventh, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, be, and the same hereby are repealed.*

Repeal of part of former law.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Selectmen of Towns and the Assessors of Plantations, respectively, to make out a statement, annually, of the number of scholars in each of their districts, between the ages of four and twenty one years, as the same existed on the first day of May preceding; the number of school districts within their respective towns or Plantations; the number of scholars who usually attend school in each; the amount of money raised and expended for the support of schools; designating what part is raised by taxes, and what part from funds, and how such funds have accrued; and the time the school has been kept in each, designating how much*

Selectmen and assessors to make annual statement of number of scholars as of 1st day of May, &c., &c., and return to office of Secretary of State on or before the 20th of January annually.

by a school mistress; and to certify upon oath in said statement, that the same is true and correct according to their best knowledge and belief; and to transmit the said statement to the office of the Secretary of State, on or before the twentieth day of January in each year.

Distribution of Bank tax to be predicated upon such return.

SECT. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the distribution of the Bank Tax, appropriated for the benefit of primary schools by an Act, entitled "An additional Act to provide for the education of Youth," passed March fourth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, among the several cities, towns and plantations in this State, shall be predicated upon the statements so made and returned, any thing in said Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Secretary of State to furnish blank returns.

SECT. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to furnish blank forms of returns to the Selectmen of Towns and the Assessors of Plantations, agreeably to the provisions of the second Section of this Act, at such times and in such quantities as may be found necessary.

[*Approved by the Governor February 13, 1837.*]

Chapter 257.

AN ACT to relieve the public from the burden of tolls at Back Cove Bridge.

City of Portland may receive and maintain Back Cove Bridge as a free bridge.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled,* That the City of Portland be and is hereby authorized and empowered to receive the bridge leading from Westbrook to Portland, called Back-Cove Bridge from the proprietors thereof, and to support and maintain the same forever hereafter, and to relieve said proprietors from all responsibil-