

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

A. D. 1852.

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Published by the Secretary of State, agreeably to resolves of June 28, 1820, February  
26, 1840, and March 16, 1842.  
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RESOLVES

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE.

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Resolve for the distribution of the school fund.

School fund,  
when and how  
distributed.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of state is hereby authorized and directed to apportion and distribute on and after the first day of June next, the annual school fund among the several cities, towns and plantations, according to the returns of the number of scholars, for eighteen hundred and fifty-one, received at the office of the secretary of state, and including all such returns as may have been received prior to the fifteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and fifty-two; subject however to the following conditions and exceptions; in any case where the returns are not subscribed and sworn to, by one or more of the superintending school committee, or where the returns do not purport to state the whole number of persons between the ages of four and twenty-one years, or where no returns for eighteen hundred and fifty-one, shall have been received by the secretary of state, prior to the said fifteenth day of May; in such cases the basis of apportionment shall be the same as that assumed for the same places last year; and in any plantation where a superintending school committee is not elected the assessors or clerk of such plantation shall be authorized to make said returns, anything in the act to provide for the education of youth approved August twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and fifty, to the contrary notwithstanding; *provided*, that in making the apportionment for towns that have been divided since they made their last returns, the treasurer be authorized, to deduct from the number of scholars so many as have been received from the new town set off therefrom; *and provided further* that the treasurer is directed to withhold the distribution of said fund from any place that shall have neglected to make said returns, prior to the fifteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and fifty-two, until said returns shall be made to the secretary of state; *and provided further* that such payment shall be withheld in all cases where cities, towns and plantations have not paid their proportion of the state tax of eighteen hundred and fifty-one.

Proviso.

[*Approved April 23, 1852.*]