

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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OF THE

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CHAP. 305.

If agent neglects, S. S. committee make enumeration of scholars.

S. S. committee make return of list of scholars in each district to assessors.

Districts having graded schools may raise money.

SECT. 4. If any school agent neglects to return the scholars of his district, as provided in section three of this act, the superintending school committee shall immediately make such enumeration in such district and be paid a reasonable sum for the service, and the sum thus paid shall be taken from the amount to be apportioned to the district of such delinquent agent.

SECT. 5. The superintending school committee shall return to the assessors on or before the fifteenth day of May, annually, the number of scholars in each school district, according to the enumeration provided for in sections three and four of this act.

SECT. 6. Any school district maintaining graded schools, may raise for the support of schools therein a sum of money not exceeding that which it receives from the town in addition thereto.

SECT. 7. This act repeals all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with it, and shall be in force when approved.

Approved February 22, 1865.

Chapter 305.

An act further defining the duties of town officers in relation to the disbursement of moneys.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Selectmen, treasurers, &c., required to make detailed reports.

Report to be distributed if printed.
—to be open for inspection in town meeting.
—how deposited and kept.

SECT. 1. The selectmen, treasurer, and every other person charged with the expenditure of the moneys of any town, shall on or before the morning of the annual meeting in each year, make detailed written or printed reports of all their financial transactions, for or in behalf of the town during the municipal year immediately preceding, with a full account of the receipts and disbursements during that period, and to whom and for what purposes each item of the same was paid, together with a statement in detail of the indebtedness and resources of the town. Such reports if printed shall be distributed to the legal voters on or before the morning of the annual meeting, or if not printed shall be presented and read in open town meeting before the election of selectmen, and thereafter, whether written or printed shall be kept deposited in the office of the selectmen, or if they have no office or usual place of business, with the town clerk, together with the proper vouchers for the disbursements reported, where such reports and vouchers, as well as all the books of the town, shall be open during the usual hours of business to the inspection of any legal voter; and if any town officer shall refuse or neglect to perform any of the requirements of this act, or shall refuse to allow any legal voter in the town to examine the reports, vouchers, and town books

herein referred to, he shall be liable to pay a fine of fifty dollars for each and every refusal or neglect, to be recovered by indictment, one half to the use of the complainant and one half to the use of the county.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved February 22, 1865.

CHAP. 306.

Chapter 306.

An act to change the time of holding the county commissioners' court for Kennebec county.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECT. 1. The terms of the county commissioners' court of the county of Kennebec, which are now required to be held on the last Tuesday of April, and on the second Tuesday of August, in each year, shall hereafter be held on the third Tuesday of April and on the third Tuesday of August, of each year.

Terms of co. commissioners' court changed.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of June next.

Approved February 23, 1865.

Chapter 307.

An act concerning the militia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

Enrolment, exemption, etc.

SECT. 1. Every able-bodied male citizen, resident within this state, of the age of eighteen years and under the age of forty-five years, shall be enrolled in the militia.

Persons to be enrolled.

SECT. 2. The following persons shall be enrolled, but exempted from military duty, in the militia, viz :—the vice-president of the United States ; the officers, judicial and executive, of the government of the United States ; the members of both houses of congress and their respective officers ; all custom-house officers ; pilots and mariners employed in the sea service of any citizen or merchant within the United States ; soldiers in the army and seamen in the navy of the United States ; all post-masters, post-officers, post-riders, and stage-drivers employed in the care and conveyance of the mail of the post-office of the United States ; all ferrymen employed at any ferry on the post-road. Also all justices of courts

Exempt from military duty.