

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## CHAP. 101

Fine or imprisonment.

process or order in any civil case, or in any criminal case the punishment of which may be imprisonment in the common jail and fine, or either, he shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding one year and by fine not exceeding three hundred dollars.

Penalty, fine or imprisonment, or both.

SECT. 2. If any person shall wilfully obstruct any officer, or other person duly authorized, in the service of any criminal process for any offense punishable by imprisonment for more than one year, he shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding two years, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or both.

Approved January 30, 1883.

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**Chapter 101.**

An act to amend section thirty-two of chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, relating to the location of school houses.

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

Sec. 32, ch. 11, R. S., amended.

SECT. 1. Section thirty-two of chapter eleven of the revised statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-one is hereby amended, by adding after the word "thereon," in the last line, the words 'in towns which have abolished the school districts therein, the location for the erection or removal of school houses and necessary buildings and for necessary play grounds, shall be designated by vote of said town at any town meeting called for that purpose,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows :

Location of school houses, how determined, in case of disagreement.

'SECT. 32. At any district meeting called for the purpose of removing a school house or locating one to be erected, if more than one-third of the voters present and voting object thereto, the clerk shall make a record of the fact ; and the municipal officers, on written application of any three or more of said voters, or any committee of the district, made within thirty days thereafterwards, shall as soon as may be, appoint a time and place in the district to hear the parties, and give such notice as is required for a district meeting ; and after such hearing, they may decide where the school house shall be placed ; and shall, within ten days, give a certificate of their determination to the clerk of the district, who shall forthwith

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enter it on his records, and the district shall proceed to erect, or remove the school house as if determined by a sufficient majority of the voters present at said meeting; but no such officer residing in the district shall have any voice in such determination; and when a majority of them reside therein, or do not agree, the superintending school committee shall do all the duties herein required of the municipal officers; and if the district refuses or neglects for sixty days to carry into effect such determination, the municipal officers or superintending school committee at the expense of the district, shall, if need be, purchase a lot for said house and cause it to be erected or removed thereon. In towns which have abolished the school districts therein, the location for the erection or removal of school houses and necessary buildings and for necessary play grounds shall be designated by vote of said town at any town meeting called for that purpose.'

When school districts are abolished, towns shall locate.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved.

Approved January 30, 1883.

### Chapter 102.

An Act fixing a time when amendments to the Constitution shall take effect.

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

SECT. 1. Unless otherwise provided in the resolve submitting it, every constitutional amendment shall take effect and become part of the constitution, on the first Wednesday of January following its adoption by the people.

Constitutional amendments to take effect first Wednesday in January after adoption by people.

SECT. 2. Within thirty days after it shall appear that a constitutional amendment has been adopted, the governor shall make proclamation thereof and the secretary of state shall forthwith cause such proclamation to be published in the state paper, and it shall also be prefixed to the next volume of acts and resolves.

—governor to make proclamation thereof.

Approved February 1, 1883.