## MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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#### ACTS AND RESOLVES

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### STATE OF MAINE.

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## PUBLIC LAWS

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Municipal officers may direct suit for taxes, to be commenced agninst any

In addition to the other provisions for the 'SECT. 175. collection of taxes legally assessed, the mayor and treasurer of any city, the selectmen of any town, and the assessors of any plantation to which a tax is due, may, in writing, direct against any delinquent. an action of debt, to be commenced in the name of such city or of the inhabitants of such town or plantation, against the party liable; but no such defendant is liable for any costs of suits unless it appears by the declaration and by proof that payment of said tax had been duly demanded before suit.'

Approved March 6, 1885.

#### Chapter 351.

An Act to amend section eleven of chapter fifty-eight of the Revised Statutes, relating to Agricultural Institutions.

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

Section eleven of chapter fifty-eight of the Sec. 11, ch. 58, revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "dollars" in the eighteenth line of said section, so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

'SECT. 11. The treasurer of an incorporated agricultural or horticultural society, on application made prior to the first Wednesday of each December, shall receive from the state that raised by the society. treasury a sum equal to that raised by such society during the year preceding, but not exceeding one cent to each inhabitant of the county where it is located, according to the last preceding national census, nor more than four hundred -Ilmitation. dollars to one county. If there is more than one such society -if there is more in any county, and the sums so applied for exceed the limits aforesaid, it shall be paid to each in proportion to the amount expended by it, as hereinafter provided. But the -exceptions. Penobscot and Aroostook Union Agricultural Society may annually receive as much as is raised by it, not exceeding one hundred dollars, without regard to population; and the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society as much as is raised by it, not exceeding one hundred and thirty dollars; and the same shall be deducted from the sums allowed to

State treasurer to pay to treas-urer of society amount equal to

than one society in a county, each to have propor-

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said counties, in proportion to the number of inhabitants of each county within the limits of such society; and the Ossipee Valley Union Agricultural Society, shall receive as much as is raised by it, not exceeding two hundred dollars.'

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

Approved March 6, 1885.

#### Chapter 352.

An Act to amend soction twelve of chapter eleven of the Revised Statutes, in relation to Apportionment of School Money.

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

Sec. 12, ch. 11, R. S., amended. SECT. 1. Section twelve of chapter eleven of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the words 'but money apportioned to districts formed from two or more towns, shall not be diminished under the provisions of this section,' so that said section as amended, shall read as follows:

Assessors and committee to apportion school money among smaller districts. 'Sect. 12. The assessors and superintending school committee or school supervisors of towns, may annually apportion twenty per cent of all money required to be raised by section six, and twenty per cent of all money received from the state for schools, except money received under section twenty-eight, among the districts in the several towns, in such manner as in their judgment shall give to the smaller districts, as nearly as may be, an equal opportunity for a common school education. But money apportioned to districts formed from two or more towns shall not be diminished under the provisions of this section.'

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

Approved March 6, 1885.