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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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**Chapter 31.**

An Act relating to the welfare of School Children.

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Pupils may be excluded from school until cured, cleansed and disinfected.

Section 1. When a teacher becomes aware or suspects that any of the pupils attending his school are in a condition which renders them a source of offense or danger to the other pupils in school on account of filthiness, or because they are the bearers of vermin or parasites, or have an infection or contagious disease of the skin, mouth or eyes, he shall notify the superintendent of schools, and when a superintendent of schools knows or learns that any of the pupils attending any school within his jurisdiction, are affected with any of the conditions, infections, or diseases herein mentioned, he shall notify the parents to cleanse the clothing and the bodies of the children and to furnish them with the required home or medical treatment, for the relief of their trouble, and the superintendent of schools may, when he deems it necessary, exclude such children from the schools temporarily or until they may be cured, cleansed and disinfected.

Duty of parents.

Section 2. Parents thus notified of the condition of their children shall forthwith have them and their clothing cleansed and shall promptly do what is necessary, or furnish them such medical treatment as may be required, to rid the children of vermin, parasites, or contagion; and any parent who fails to do what is required so that the children may return to school with as little loss of time as is possible, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be liable to a fine not to exceed five dollars for the first offense, and not to exceed ten dollars for a second or subsequent offense.

—penalty.

Approved February 26, 1909.

**Chapter 32.**

An Act to amend Section twenty-one of Chapter fifty-one of the Revised Statutes, relating to increase of stock of railroad corporations.

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Section 1. Section twenty-one of chapter fifty-one of the revised statutes is hereby amended so that the same shall read as follows:

When stock is increased

'Section 21. Whenever a railroad corporation which is in actual possession of and operating a railroad increases its cap-

ital stock under the provisions of the preceding section, the new shares shall be offered proportionately to its stockholders at such price, not less than the par value thereof, as shall be determined by its stockholders. The directors, upon the approval of such increase as provided in the preceding section, shall cause written notice of such increase to be given to each stockholder of record upon the books of the company at the date of the vote to increase, stating the amount of the increase, the number of shares or fraction of shares to which, according to the proportionate number of his shares at the date of the vote to increase, he is entitled, the price at which he is entitled to take them, and fixing a time not less than fifteen days after the date of such vote to increase within which he may subscribe for such additional stock. Each stockholder may, within the time limited, subscribe for his portion of such stock, which shall be paid for in cash before the issue of a certificate therefor. Provided, when the increase in the capital stock does not exceed four per cent of the existing capital stock of the corporation, the directors, without first offering the same to the stockholders, may sell the same at auction to the highest bidder at not less than the par value thereof. If, after the expiration of the notice above provided for, any shares of such stock remain unsubscribed for by the stockholders entitled to take them, the directors may sell the same at auction. All shares of stock to be disposed of at auction under the provisions of this section shall be offered for sale to the highest bidder in the city of Boston, or in such city or town as may be prescribed by the railroad commissioners; and notice of the time and place of such sale shall be published at least five times during the ten days immediately preceding the time fixed for the sale, in such daily newspapers, not less than three in number, as may be prescribed by the commissioners. No shares shall be sold or issued for a less sum, to be actually paid in cash, than the par value thereof. Provided further, that the determination by the Board of Railroad Commissioners, under the provisions of the preceding section as to the amount of such increase, shall be based upon the price at which such stock is to be issued as fixed by the stockholders, and also provided that said commissioners shall refuse to approve any particular issue of stock if, in their opinion, the price fixed by the stockholders is so low as to be inconsistent with the public interest.'

it shall be offered to stockholders proportionately.

—notice of increase shall be given each stockholder.

—time in which stock may be taken.

—when stock may be disposed of without offering same to stockholders.

—shares unsubscribed for may be sold at auction,

—where such stock may be sold.

—public notice of time and place of sale shall be given.

—proviso.