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ACTS AND RESOLVES

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## CHAP. 101

—stairways.

—doors and windows.

—school building of more than one story.

—when municipal officers shall correct defects.

Stairways on the outside of the building shall have suitable railed landings at each story above the first, accessible at each story from doors or windows and such stairways; doors or windows shall be kept clean of snow, ice and other obstructions. In school buildings of more than one story there shall be at least two separate means of egress by inside or outside stairway, and each story above the first shall be supplied with means of extinguishing fire consisting of pails of water or other portable apparatus, or of a hose attached to a suitable water supply and such appliance shall be kept at all times ready for use and in good condition. Upon written notification by the superintending school committee that any school building does not meet the specifications herein named, the municipal officers of the town shall at once proceed to correct the defects, and any failure so to act shall render the town liable to the provisions of section sixteen of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes.

Approved March 18, 1909.

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**Chapter 101.**

An Act to amend Section nine, Chapter fifty-five of the Revised Statutes, relative to Telegraph and Telephone Companies issuing coupon or registered bonds.

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

Section 9,  
Chapter 55,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section nine of chapter fifty-five of the revised statutes of Maine pertaining to telegraph and telephone companies is hereby amended by inserting after the words "floating debt" in the fourth line thereof the following words: 'retiring previous bond issues.' Also by adding after the word "issued" in the eleventh line thereof the words 'unless to be retired by the new issue,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

May issue  
bonds, and  
mortgage  
property and  
franchises.

'Section 9. Any corporation organized under the provisions of this chapter, by vote at a meeting of its stockholders called for the purpose, may issue coupon or registered bonds to provide means for constructing its lines and plant, funding its floating debt, retiring previous bond issues, or for the payment of money borrowed for any lawful purpose, and may mortgage or pledge as security for the payment of the principal and interest of such bonds, a part or all of its property and franchise. Such bonds may be issued in sums not less than one hundred dollars each, payable at periods not exceeding twenty years from the date thereof, and bearing interest not

exceeding six per cent a year, payable annually or semi-annually, to an amount which, including that of bonds previously issued, unless to be retired by the new issue, shall not exceed in all the capital stock of the corporation actually paid in at the time.'

Approved March 18, 1909.

### Chapter 102.

An Act to encourage the teaching of Manual Training, Domestic Science and Agriculture in Academies and to repeal Chapter seventy-eight of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seven.

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

Section 1. Any incorporated academy in the state maintaining a course in manual training, domestic science or agriculture, approved by the state superintendent of schools, shall be entitled to receive annually from the state, in addition to the state aid, if any, now provided by law, and to be paid in the same manner, a sum equal to the amount expended by said academy for instruction in such course, not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars for each of said courses.

State aid for maintaining course in manual training, domestic science or agriculture.

Section 2. Chapter seventy-eight of the public laws of one thousand nine hundred and seven is hereby repealed.

Chapter 78, public laws, 1907, repealed.

Approved March 18, 1909.

### Chapter 103.

An Act to amend Section one hundred and thirteen of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter eleven of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and five, relating to the number of Trustees of State Normal Schools.

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

Section 1. Section one hundred and thirteen of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter eleven of the public laws of nineteen hundred and five, is hereby further amended by substituting for the word "eight" in the second line of said section as amended, the word 'nine' and by substituting for the word "six" also in the second line of said section as so amended the word 'seven,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 113, chapter 15, R. S., as amended by chapter 11, public laws, 1905, further amended.

'Section 113. Said schools are under the direction of a board of nine trustees, seven of whom shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council, for not

Trustees of normal schools, appointment of, and number.