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Chapter 119.

An Act to amend Section sixty of Chapter four of the Revised Statutes, relating to Dangerous or Vicious Dogs.

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

Section sixty of chapter four of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding after the word "keeper" in the twelfth line, and after the word "keeper" in the fourteenth line, the words, 'or any police officer or constable appointed in said city or town,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 60,
chapter 4,
R. S.,
amended.

'Section 60. Whoever is so assaulted or finds a dog strolling outside of the premises or immediate care of its owner or keeper, may, within forty-eight hours thereafter, make written complaint before the municipal or police court having jurisdiction in the city or town where the owner or keeper resides, or in case there is no such court, before a trial justice in said town, that he really believes and has reason to believe that said dog is dangerous or vicious; whereupon said court or trial justice shall order said owner or keeper to appear and answer to said complaint by serving said owner or keeper of said dog with a copy of said complaint and order a reasonable time before the day set for a hearing thereon; and if upon hearing, the court or trial justice is satisfied that said complaint is true, he shall order said owner or keeper, or any police officer or constable appointed in said city or town, within twenty-four hours thereafter either to kill, or confine said dog, or remove and keep the same beyond the limits of said town or city; and if said owner or keeper, or said police officer or constable appointed in said city or town, neglects to comply with said order, he shall forfeit to the use of the city or town aforesaid not less than one, nor more than ten dollars, to be recovered in an action on the case.'

Written
complaint
may be
made of
dangerous
dogs at
large.

Approved March 24, 1909.

Chapter 120.

An Act additional to Section forty-two and amendatory to Section forty-four of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to Appropriations in aid of School Superintendents.

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

Section 1. Section forty-two of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes as it appears in its amended form in the laws of nineteen hundred seven, is hereby amended by inserting

Section 42,
chapter 15,
R. S., as
amended by
chapter 101,

CHAP. 120

public laws,
1907,
further
amended.

in line one before the word "whenever" the figure '1,' and by inserting after the word "year" in line fourteen, the following: 'II. Whenever the chairman and secretary of school committees of towns and cities having under their care and custody an aggregate of more than fifty schools, shall certify under oath to the state superintendent of schools, the form of certificate to be determined by said state superintendent that a superintendent of schools has been employed by them for one year, and the salary that he received, then upon the approval of said certificate by the state superintendent of schools and presentation to the governor and council, a warrant shall be drawn upon the treasurer of the state for the payment to the treasurer of that town or city, of a sum equal to three-fifths of the amount expended by said town or city for said superintendence, provided that the amount so paid for the benefit of a single town or city shall not exceed eight hundred dollars in one year,' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

Towns may
provide for
compensa-
tion of
superin-
tendent.

'Section 42. I. Whenever the chairman and secretary of said joint committee shall certify under oath to the state superintendent of schools, according to form prescribed by the state superintendent that a union has been maintained and a superintendent employed as provided in sections forty and forty-one of this chapter, which certification shall be made quarterly, on the first days of January, April, July and October of each year, then, upon approval of said certificate by the state superintendent of schools and presentation to the governor and council, a warrant shall be drawn upon the treasurer of the state for the payment to the superintendent so employed of a sum equal to twice the aggregate sum paid by the towns composing the union, provided that the amount so paid for the benefit of a single union of towns shall not exceed eight hundred dollars in one year.

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Superin-
tendent of
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fifty
schools.

II. Whenever the chairman and secretary of school committees of towns and cities having under their care and custody an aggregate of more than fifty schools, shall certify under oath to the state superintendent of schools, the form of certificate to be determined by said state superintendent, that a superintendent of schools has been employed by them for one year, and the salary that he has received, then upon the approval of said certificate by the state superintendent of schools and presentation to the governor and council, a warrant shall be drawn upon the treasurer of the state for the payment to the treasurer of that town or city, of a sum equal

—state aid.

to three-fifths the amount expended by said town or city for said superintendence, provided that the amount so paid for the benefit of a single town or city shall not exceed eight hundred dollars in one year.'

Section 2. Section forty-four of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting in line two after the word "forty-one" the words 'and section forty-two,' so that said section as amended, shall read:

Section 44,
chapter 15,
R. S.,
amended.

'Section 44. Persons employed to serve as superintendents of schools under section forty-one and section forty-two shall hold state certificates under section one hundred and five and shall devote their entire time to superintendence. The powers and duties of such superintendents shall be the same as those prescribed for town superintendents in this chapter.'

Qualifica-
tion of
superin-
tendents.

—powers
and duties.

Approved March 24, 1909.

Chapter 121.

An Act for the prevention of Tuberculosis among Cattle.

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

That such sum as may be deemed necessary by the cattle commissioners shall be used from their appropriation for the purpose of vaccination of cattle against tuberculosis, under such rules and regulations as may be made for the control of such work.

Vaccina-
tion of
cattle.

Approved March 24, 1909.

Chapter 122.

An Act to amend Sections forty, forty-one, and forty-four and forty-five of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the union of two or more towns for the employment of a Superintendent of Schools.

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

Section 1. Section forty of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter fifty-five of the public law of nineteen hundred and five, is hereby further amended by adding after the word "purpose" in line six of said section, the words, 'provided further that such union shall not take effect until the state superintendent of public schools shall have approved the certificate of union as hereinafter provided. But the committee of any town dissatisfied with the decision of the state superintendent may appeal to the governor and

Section 40,
chapter 15,
R. S., as
amended
by chapter
55, public
laws, 1905,
further
amended.