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CHAP. 121

Chapter 121.

An Act to amend Section thirty-seven of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Statutes, relating to the School Census Returns.

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

Section 37,
Chapter 15, R.
S., amended.

Section 1. Section thirty-seven of chapter fifteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "years" in the third line thereof the following: 'Together with a certified list of the names and ages of such persons,' and is further amended by adding to said section the following: 'When the state superintendent of schools on examination of the census returns of any town is of the opinion that the census has been inaccurately taken he shall make statement thereof to the governor and council who may require the census of such town to be retaken and returned and, if they think necessary, they may for this purpose appoint persons to perform this service and such persons so appointed shall take the same oath, perform the same service and receive the same compensation out of the same fund as the person or persons who took the school census in the first instance; and the school fund distributable in proportion to the enumeration of scholars shall be distributed on the corrected returns;' so that said section when amended shall read as follows:

Return to
state superin-
tendent of
schools.

'Section 37. He shall annually make returns to the state superintendent of public schools, of the number of persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years, together with a certified list of the names and ages of such persons, corrected to the first day of April preceding the time of making such returns, and give full and complete answers to the inquiries contained in the blank forms furnished him by law; certify that such statement is true and correct, according to his best knowledge and belief; and transmit it to the office of the state superintendent on or before the first day of each May. He shall also furnish such other information relating to the public schools as the said superintendent shall at any time require of him. When the state superintendent of schools on examination of the census returns of any town is of the opinion that the census has been inaccurately taken he shall make statement thereof to the governor and council who may require the census of such town to be retaken and returned and, if they think necessary, they may for this purpose appoint persons to perform this service and such persons so appointed shall take the same oath, perform the same service and receive the same compensation out of the same funds as the person or persons who took the

—additional
information.

school census in the first instance; and the school fund distributable in proportion to enumeration of scholars shall be distributed on the corrected returns.'

Approved March 29, 1911.

Chapter 122.

An Act concerning Corrupt Practices at elections, Caucuses, and Primaries.

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

Section 1. The provisions of this act shall apply to the election of all officers for whom ballots shall be cast pursuant to the provisions of chapter six of the revised statutes and to the elections of all officers to be voted for by the legislature or either branch thereof, the board of aldermen, municipal officers, common council or city council of any city, to all caucuses and primary elections preliminary to any such other elections and to all candidates to be voted for at such elections, caucuses and primary elections. The term "caucuses and primary elections" shall include: (a) all meetings held to nominate a candidate for office or to elect delegates to a nominating convention; (b) nominating conventions of such delegates; and (c) caucuses of members of the legislature or either branch thereof, of the board of aldermen, common council or city council of any city. Any person shall be deemed to be a candidate for the office of senator of the United States for whom ten or more votes shall have been cast either at a legislative caucus, or at a regular election by the legislature.

Conduct at elections, caucuses, and primaries, regulated.

—terms explained.

Section 2. The term "political committee" shall include every committee or combination of three or more persons to aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party or principle in any such election, or to aid or take part in the nomination or election of any candidate for public office. The term "treasurer" shall include all persons appointed by any political committee to receive or disburse moneys to aid or promote the success or defeat of any such party, principle, or candidate. The term "political agent" shall include all persons appointed by any candidate before any such election, caucus, or primary election to assist him in his candidacy. No person shall act as any such treasurer or political agent unless, after his appointment and before the election for which he is appointed, a writing designating him as such treasurer or political agent shall be filed with the secretary of the state, except that, in case the duties of such treasurer or political agent shall relate to any

Term "political committee," defined.

—term, "treasurer" defined.

—term "political agent" defined.

—appointment of treasurer or political agent, filed with secretary of state. —exception.