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Chapter 114.

An Act to Amend Section Two of Chapter Sixteen of the Revised Statutes, Providing for the Improvement of Conveyance of Pupils to Common Schools.

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

R. S., c. 16, § 2; relating to the suspension of schools when attendance does not warrant continuance and the conveyance of scholars, amended. Section two of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the word "necessary" in the twenty-fifth line thereof the following: 'In all cases, conveyance so provided shall conserve the comfort, safety and welfare of the children conveyed and shall be in charge of a responsible driver who shall have control over the conduct of the children conveyed,' so that this section, when amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 2. In case of conveyance of scholars, comfort, welfare and safety of scholars shall be conserved; driver shall be responsible and shall have control over conduct of children. The location of any school legally established prior to the seventeenth day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-three continues unchanged, notwithstanding the district is abolished; but any town at its annual meeting, or at a meeting called for the purpose, may determine the number and location of its schools, and may discontinue them or change their location; but such discontinuance or change of location shall be made only on the written recommendation of the superintending school committee, and on conditions proper to preserve the just rights and privileges of the inhabitants for whose benefit such schools were established; provided, however, that in case any school shall hereafter have too few scholars for its profitable maintenance, the superintending school committee may suspend the operation of such school for not more than one year unless otherwise instructed by the town, but any public school failing to maintain an average attendance for any school year, of at least eight pupils, shall be and hereby is suspended, unless the town in which said school is located shall by vote, at the annual meeting, or at a meeting called for that purpose, after the said committee shall have made a written recommendation to that effect, instruct its superintending school committee to maintain said school. The superintendent of schools in each town shall procure the conveyance of all common school pupils residing in his town, a part or the whole of the distance, to and from the nearest suitable school, for the number of weeks for which schools are maintained in each year, when such pupils reside at such a distance from the said school as in the judgment of the superintending school committee shall render such conveyance necessary. In all cases, conveyance so provided shall conserve the comfort, safety and welfare of the children conveyed and shall be in charge of a responsible

driver who shall have control over the conduct of the children conveyed. Provided, however, that the superintending school committee may authorize the superintendent of schools to pay the board of any pupil or pupils at a suitable place near any established school instead of providing conveyance for said pupil or pupils, when in their judgment it may be done at an equal or less expense than by conveyance.'

Approved April 5, 1921.

Chapter 115.

An Act to Amend Section One of Chapter Two Hundred and Fifteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Increasing the Bounty on Bears in Penobscot and Washington Counties.

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

1917, c. 215, § 1; providing a bounty on bears, amended. Section one of chapter two hundred and fifteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen is hereby amended by striking out the word "five" in the first line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word 'ten,' and by striking out the words "in this state" in the second line and inserting in place thereof the following: 'in Penobscot and Washington counties and five dollars for each and every bear killed in any other county,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Bounty in Penobscot and Washington counties increased from \$5 to \$10. A bounty of ten dollars for each and every bear killed in Penobscot and Washington counties and five dollars for each and every bear killed in any other county shall be paid to the person killing the same. If the animal is killed in a town or plantation, the bounty shall be paid by the treasurer thereof; if the animal is killed in an unincorporated place, the bounty shall be paid by the treasurer of an adjoining town or plantation, if any, otherwise by the treasurer of the nearest town or plantation.'

Approved April 5, 1921.

Chapter 116.

An Act to Amend Section Ten of Chapter One Hundred and Seventeen of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Sixteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen and as Amended by Chapter Thirty-one of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Relating to Salaries of Reporters of the Supreme Judicial Court.

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

R. S., c. 117, § 10; 1917, c. 216; 1919, c. 31; relating to the salaries of stenographers of the supreme judicial court, amended. Section ten of chapter one hundred and seventeen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred and sixteen of the public laws of nineteen