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dred and thirty-three, one hundred and thirty-four, one hundred and thirty-five, one hundred and thirty-six, one hundred and thirty-seven and one hundred and thirty-eight of chapter sixteen, of the revised statutes, and such sums as may be required for payment to towns on account of teaching positions maintained as provided for by section six of this act, and such sums as may be required for apportionment to towns on the basis of school census as provided for by section seven of this act, and the balance of said state school fund shall be apportioned and distributed to towns on the basis of aggregate attendance as provided for by section eight of this act.'

Approved April 3, 1923.

Chapter 176.

An Act to Amend Section Fifty-six of Chapter Sixteen of the Revised Statutes as Amended by Chapter One Hundred and Eighty-eight of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen and by Chapter Twenty-six of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, Relating to the Time of Electing Superintendents of Schools in Towns Comprising School Unions.

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

R. S., c. 16, sec. 56; P. L., 1917, c. 188; 1921, c. 26; relating to joint superintending school committees, organization of, election of superintendent, amended. Section fifty-six of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred eighty-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen and by chapter twenty-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one is hereby amended by striking out in line ten the words "in June" and inserting therefor the words 'between April first and June thirtieth,' so that the section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 56. Meetings for organization to be held between April 1, and June 30, annually. The superintending school committees of the towns composing a union shall form a joint committee, and for the purposes of this section and the four following sections, said joint committee shall be held to be the agents of each town composing the union, provided, however, that the superintending school committee of any town may authorize one of its members to act for the committee in the meetings of the joint committee, and in such case, the member so authorized, may cast the votes for the full membership of his committee. Said joint committee upon notification by the state superintendent of public schools shall meet before the first day of July, nineteen hundred eighteen, and between April first and June thirtieth annually thereafter, at a day and place agreed upon by the chairman of the committees of the several towns composing the union, and shall organize by the choice of a chairman and a secretary. Said joint

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committee shall determine the relative amount of service to be performed by the superintendent in each town, including the minimum number of visits to be made each term to each school, fix his salary, apportion the amounts thereof to be paid by the several towns, which amounts shall be certified to the treasurers of said towns, respectively, and to the state superintendent of public schools, together with the amounts apportioned to each town, provided, that the amount so certified shall be in proportion to the amount of service performed in the several towns. Said joint committee, at the time of its organization, or as soon thereafter as possible, and whenever a vacancy shall occur, shall choose by ballot a superintendent of schools for a term of not more than five years and the term for which a superintendent is elected shall, in all cases, end on the thirtieth day of June of the year in which the contract expires, provided, however, that said committee, by a two-thirds vote of its full membership, after due notice and investigation, may, for cause, discharge a superintendent of schools before the expiration of the term for which he was elected, and after such discharge the salary of said superintendent shall cease.'

Approved April 3, 1923.

Chapter 177.

An Act to Amend Section Thirteen of Chapter Seventy-six of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Proof of Appointment.

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

R. S., c. 76, sec. 13; relating to proof of appointment of executors and administrators of non-resident decedents. Section thirteen of chapter seventy-six of the revised statutes is hereby amended, by striking out all of said section after the word "guardian" in the second line thereof, and inserting in place thereof the following: 'or committee of the person or property or any similar official of whatever title, wherever appointed by any court of competent authority having jurisdiction in any of the United States or any foreign country, filed, examined and allowed by any judge of probate in this state is sufficient proof of appointment to entitle such official to the benefit of the preceding section,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'**Sec. 13. Provisions enlarged so as to include appointments of committees of the person or property and similar officials.** A duly authenticated copy of the appointment of such executor, administrator, conservator, guardian or committee of the person or property or any similar official of whatever title, wherever appointed by any court of competent authority having jurisdiction in any of the United States or any foreign country, filed, examined and allowed by any judge of probate in this state is suffi-