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AS PASSED BY THE

Ninety-eighth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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Chapter 140

AN ACT Relating to Sale of Unused School Buildings in Unorganized Territory.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 102, § 13, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 13 of chapter 102 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The State Tax Assessor shall have the authority to sell or otherwise dispose of any property, the title of which rests in the town at the time of deorganization or may come to the town subsequent to deorganization, provided ~~that~~ he shall first obtain written permission from the Commissioner of Education before disposing of any property formerly used or still being used for school purposes. Such sale or disposal may take place at any time subsequent to deorganization and the proceeds from the sale shall be expended as is provided for in this section.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 102, § 13, amended. Section 13 of chapter 102 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended, by adding thereto a new paragraph to follow the second paragraph, to read as follows:

'When school property is sold, the proceeds shall be expended as described in section 164 of chapter 41 for the benefit of the children in the township where the property is located. The proceeds from all other sales shall be expended as described in the first paragraph of this section.'

Effective August 28, 1957

Chapter 141

AN ACT Relating to Approval of Institutions Granting Associate Degrees.

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

R. S., c. 41, § 142, amended. Section 142 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 142. Approval of degree-granting institutions. Any educational institution seeking authority to grant any educational, literary or academic degree, or any junior college or similar post-secondary educational institution seeking authority to grant an associate degree, shall make application to the Secretary of State, in a manner prescribed by him, not later than ~~the~~ May 1st immediately preceding the legislative session.

Upon notification from the Secretary of State, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner to obtain full information regarding the merit of the institution to confer the degree or grant the associate degree. He shall use those standards which are commonly accepted in the accreditation of American educational institutions, and shall prepare for the use of the Legislature a report regarding the adequacy of the institution's buildings, instructional facilities and provisions for the safety and well-being of students; the qualifications of the faculty; the character of the program of studies and of the requirements for award of