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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Second Legislature

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

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**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective May 28, 1965

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## Chapter 370

### AN ACT Exempting State-Owned Motor Vehicles and Trailers from Registration.

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

R. S., T. 29, § 256, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 256 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'All motor vehicles and trailers owned and used by any municipal corporation therein and all motor vehicles loaned by automobile dealers to municipalities for use in driver education in the secondary schools shall be registered, but shall be exempt from the provisions of this Title as to payment of registration fees, except that when such vehicles are leased or rented for commercial purposes they shall be subject to payment of the fees as provided in this Title. All such vehicles and trailers shall display registration plates as required by this Title or approved by the Secretary of State. All motor vehicles and trailers owned by the State and all vehicles and trailers owned by a municipal fire department or an organized volunteer fire department may be exempt from the provisions of this Title as to registration and payment of registration fees. Such motor vehicles and trailers shall display an identifying marker or insignia approved by the Secretary of State.'

Effective September 3, 1965

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## Chapter 371

### AN ACT Relating to Tuition for Students Attending Secondary School Outside of Residence.

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

**Sec. 1.** R. S., T. 20, § 1291, amended. The first sentence of the 2nd paragraph of section 1291 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'In the case of any youth attending school, under conditions as provided for in the preceding paragraph, ~~in schools in which the average daily membership, as reported in the preceding year, is 100 or more students~~ and the school offers at least 2 occupational courses, the annual tuition shall not exceed 125% of the average cost per pupil in all secondary schools of the State ~~for the current fiscal year as determined in section 1292; except that, for schools with fewer than 100 pupils enrolled or not offering at least 2 or more occupational courses,~~ the tuition shall not exceed the average cost per pupil in all secondary schools of the State ~~for the current fiscal year as determined in section 1292.~~ Payments in excess of the legal tuition charge as defined in this section may be made when authorized by the voters of the sending administrative unit at a regular or special town meeting.'

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 1292, amended. The first paragraph of section 1292 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'When any administrative unit shall have been required to pay and has paid tuition for pupils attending secondary schools, as provided by section 1291, the superintendent of schools of such administrative unit shall make a return under oath to the commissioner before the first day of September, annually, for the preceding school year, stating the name of each pupil for whom tuition has been paid, the amount paid by the administrative unit for each and the name and location of the school which each has attended. Tuition charges for each pupil may be paid by administrative units to an amount not exceeding the receiving school's average cost per pupil for the current fiscal year, except that payments in excess of said average cost may be made by vote of the sending administrative unit, but such payment by an administrative unit for any pupil for any one year shall be subject to the limitations of section 1291. The average cost per pupil shall be determined as follows: (1) Add the amounts paid for certified teachers' salaries, fuel, janitor service, textbooks, supplies, utility services, premiums paid on insurance and 8% of the insured value of the school buildings and equipment, said sums to be taken from reports filed with the commissioner in the year for which tuition is being computed, (2) divide the total by the average daily membership of all regularly enrolled students of the preceding school year. The State, an administrative unit or academy average cost per pupil shall be determined as follows: (1) All expenditures for secondary education shall be included except expenditures for community services, capital outlay, debt retirement, tuition and transportation from July 1st to June 30th of a given year; (2) the expenditures thus obtained shall be divided by the average daily membership of all regularly enrolled students for the same year. Said per pupil cost shall be increased by 7% and in addition an administrative unit or academy may add thereto an amount obtained by dividing 5% of the insured value of secondary school buildings and equipment by the average daily membership of all regularly enrolled students for the same year. Any unit which receives state funds as secondary school construction aid under Title 20, section 3518, or federal funds for secondary school construction aid shall have such amount deducted from the allowable insured value of secondary school buildings and equipment in the average cost per pupil computation. Any administrative unit not maintaining a high school may pay tuition for any student who with parents or guardian resides in said administrative unit and who attends an approved school of secondary grade in an administrative unit adjacent to the State of Maine in another state, when distance and transportation facilities make attendance in a Maine high school or academy inexpedient; or who attends an approved school of secondary grade in another state when said school specializes in the correction of physical defects and when by reason of a physical disability the individual requires a specialized type of training available in said school but not obtainable in any approved secondary school in the State of Maine.'

Effective September 3, 1965

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## Chapter 372

### AN ACT Increasing Salaries of Judges of the District Court.

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

R. S., T. 4, § 157, amended. The 4th sentence of section 157 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows: