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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE
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Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §4569, as amended by PL 1979, c. 378, §33, is further amended to read:

§4569. Records and reports

Every shipper shall, on or before the 15th day of each month, report to the State Tax Assessor the quantity of potatoes received, sold or shipped by him during the preceding calendar month and any additional information which the State Tax Assessor deems pertinent, on forms furnished by the State Tax Assessor. At the time of filing ~~said~~ the report, each shipper shall pay to the State Tax Assessor a tax at the rate of ~~\$.025~~ \$.05 per hundredweight upon all potatoes so reported as purchased, sold or shipped. The State Tax Assessor shall pay over all receipts from such tax to the Treasurer of State daily.

Sec. 3. Evaluation; recommendations. The Maine Potato Commission shall work with the Maine Potato Council, the Maine Potato Sales Association and the Agricultural Bargaining Council to prepare an evaluation of the organization currently representing the potato industry and to make recommendations for consolidating these organizations. These recommendations shall be submitted to the 112th Legislature no later than January 1, 1986. Subsequent to the submission of these recommendations, if no reorganization of the potato industry is adopted by the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature, the tax shall be \$.035 per hundredweight effective June 1, 1986.

Effective July 25, 1984.

CHAPTER 767

S.P. 869 - L.D. 2359

AN ACT Concerning the Teaching of Certain Subjects.

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

Sec. 1. 20 MRSA §1221 is amended to read:

§1221. Teaching of virtue and morality

The presidents, professors and tutors of colleges, the preceptors and teachers of academies and all other ~~instructors~~ Instructors of youth in public

or private institutions shall use their best endeavors to impress on the minds of the children and youth committed to their care and instruction the principles of morality and justice and a sacred regard for truth; love of country, humanity and a universal benevolence; ~~sobriety~~; the great principles of humanity as illustrated by kindness to birds and animals and regard for all factors which contribute to the well-being of man; industry and frugality; chastity, moderation and temperance; and all other virtues which ornament human society; and to lead those under their care, as their ages and capacities admit, into a particular understanding of the tendency of such virtues to preserve and perfect a republican constitution, secure the blessings of liberty and to promote their future happiness and the tendency of the opposite vices, to slavery, degradation and ruin. All teachers in the public schools of the State shall devote not less than 1/2 hour of each week of the school term to teaching to the children under their charge, in correlation with other studies of the school curriculum, the great principles of humanity as illustrated by kindness to birds and animals and regard for all factors which contribute to the well-being of man.

Sec. 2. 20 M RSA §§1223 to 1230 are repealed.

Sec. 3. 20 M RSA §1224-A is enacted to read:

§1224-A. Release time for religious observance

Public school students who participate in a course of moral instruction or a religious observance at their place of worship or other suitable place may be granted release time for the period actually spent on that instruction or observance, up to a maximum of one hour per week. The granting of release time shall be at the option of the local school unit and shall not result in any additional cost to the local school unit. Release time shall be granted in accordance with policies established by the local school unit.

Effective July 25, 1984.

CHAPTER 768

S.P. 708 - L.D. 1954

AN ACT Concerning the Counting of
Absentee Ballots in Towns with Voting
Devices.