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AUTHORITY

This compilation is made under and by virtue of the authority of an act of the legislative assembly of this state, of the session of 1899, Lord's Oregon Laws, section 3964. The act referred to provides that the superintendent of public instruction shall annotate and compile the school laws. This compilation embraces all the statutes now in force, which in any way affect the public school system; a summary of the decisions of the supreme court of Oregon, and the most important decisions of the attorney general upon the school laws; the rules and regulations of the state board of education, suggestions for the use of school officers, and plans for rural school buildings.

The laws relating to the state schools are omitted in order to make this volume of more convenient size. Full information relative to these schools may be obtained from their respective catalogues, which will be sent upon application by the president of each school. Address, President J. H. Ackerman of the State Normal School, Monmouth; President W. J. Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, and President P. L. Campbell, of the University of Oregon, Eugene.

SCHOOL LAWS

TITLE I

OFFICERS AND THEIR POWERS

CHAPTER I

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

§ 1. *Superintendent of Public Instruction a Distinct Office.*

The office of superintendent of public instruction in this state is hereby declared to be a separate and distinct office, and the present incumbent of said office shall hold the same during the term for which he has been elected, and until his successor is duly elected and qualified. [L. O. L., Sec. 3943.]

§ 2. *Election and Salary of Superintendent.*

A superintendent of public instruction shall be elected at the general election of the year 1902, and every four years thereafter, and shall qualify and enter upon the duties of his office on the second Monday in January following his election. He shall receive annually a salary of \$3,000.00, payable by the state as the salaries of other state officers are paid. [L. O. L., Sec. 3944.]

§ 3. *Office of Superintendent.*

He shall be provided with an office at the state capitol, furnished with the necessary stationery, lights, fuel, etc., to be paid for by the state as the expenses of other state officers are paid. [L. O. L., Sec. 3945.]

§ 4. *Duties of Superintendent.*

1. It shall be the duty of the superintendent of public instruction to exercise a general superintendence of the county and district school officers and the public schools of this state.

2. He shall visit, as far as practicable, every county in the state, annually, in the interest of education.

3. He shall attend county institutes within the state and educational meetings out of the state when practicable, and shall assist in the organization and development of institute work in each county; he shall visit, as often as practicable, the principal schools of the state for the purpose of inspection and supervision; and he shall also keep statistics of the condition of schools, buildings, appurtenances, apparatus, libraries, the conduct and standing of pupils, methods of instruction, and the discipline and government of schools, etc.

4. He shall visit in person, when practicable, all the chartered educational institutions of the state, and shall secure such statistical information relative to number of students, teachers, value of property, libraries, salaries, and courses of study, as he may deem advisable for the advancement of education and for the information of the legislature.

Shall Act as Secretary State Board of Education.

5. He shall act as secretary of the state board of education. He shall annotate and compile all school laws ordered published by the state board of education; and said compilation shall include all blank forms necessary to secure a uniformity of system in the administration of the school laws throughout the state.

6. He shall, whenever he may deem the same expedient, issue printed letters and circulars to school officers, pertaining to any subject relative to the duties of teachers, directors, pupils, parents and guardians, the management of schools, and all other questions of general and special interest to the cause of education.

Shall Decide Cases Submitted to Him on Appeal.

7. He shall decide, without cost to the parties, all questions of doubt that may be submitted to him, and all disputes that may be appealed to him from the county school superintendents, concerning the proper administration of the school laws of this state and of the rules and regulations of the state board of education, and concerning the ministerial duties of school officers and teachers; but he may, in his discretion, submit any such question or dispute to the state board of education, who shall then decide the same. The state superintendent, or the state board of education, may require the opinion, in writing, of the attorney general concerning such questions or disputes, whose duty it shall be to give the same. The state board of education shall adopt reasonable rules of procedure to govern the submission of such questions, and the trials and appeals provided for in this act. The decision of the state superintendent or of the state board of education, as herein provided, shall guide school officers and teachers in the discharge of their duties in respect to the matters so decided; but this section shall not be construed to deprive any person of his ordinary remedy in a court of competent jurisdiction.

Shall Hold State Teachers' Association.

8. He shall, once in each year, cause to be held a state teachers' association, at such time and place as in his judgment will best promote the general interests of education.

Traveling Expenses.

9. He shall make out, quarterly, a statement of the necessary traveling expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties, which claims shall be audited and paid as other claims against the state; *provided*, that such sum shall not exceed \$900.00 per annum; *provided, further*, that every such claim shall be verified by the superintendent of public instruction, and said superintendent of public instruction shall receive no other salary or fees or perquisites for the performance of any duties required by law as said superintendent or member of any board. [L. O. L., Sec. 3946.]

Shall Furnish Blanks, Etc.

10. He shall prepare and distribute to the various county school superintendents in the state such a uniform series of blanks, registers, forms, rules and regulations as he may deem necessary for the administration of the school laws. County school superintendents shall receipt to the superintendent of public instruction for all supplies received, and distribute the same to the various district clerks, taking their receipts for the same. [Laws 1915, Chap. 43, page 57.]

§ 5. *Biennial Reports—Subjects of.*

The superintendent of public instruction shall report to the legislative assembly, biennially, in the same manner and at the same time that other state officers make their reports. His reports shall contain:

1. The general condition of the public schools of the state;
2. The amount of school money apportioned among the several counties, and the sources whence such money was derived;
3. The amounts raised by county and district taxes, and the amounts paid for teachers' salaries, buildings, furniture, etc.;
4. The series of textbooks authorized in accordance with the provisions of the law;
5. The rules and regulations prescribed by the state board for the government of public schools;
6. The number and grade of schools in each county.
7. The number of persons between the ages of four and twenty years, the number attending public schools, the number attending private schools, and the number not attending any school;
8. Any and all information that in his judgment may be useful to the public, and for the advancement of the educational interests of the state. [L. O. L., Sec. 3947.]

§ 6. *Present Certificates Not Invalidated.*

Nothing in this act shall be construed to invalidate the life of any certificate or diploma now in full force and effect in this state, nor to invalidate the rights and privileges now granted by such certificate or diploma. Present holders of state certificates shall be allowed to secure a life certificate by taking a satisfactory examination in botany, geometry and general history; and all persons who have, prior to June 1, 1911, partially completed their examinations for state certificates, shall be allowed to complete the examinations for state certificates and life diplomas in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations now governing the examination for state certificates and life diplomas. Present holders of first grade county certificates in this state which are subject to renewal without examination, shall be entitled to have the same renewed by the state superintendent of public instruction under the provisions of the law now in effect. [Laws 1911, Chap. 58, page 86, Sec. 1.]

§ 7. *Certificates Issued by Superintendent of Public Instruction.*

All certificates, except those provided for in Sections 38 and 44 shall be issued by the superintendent of public instruction. [Laws 1911, Chap. 58, page 86, Sec. 2.]

§ 8. *Classification of Certificates.*

The certificates granted by the authority of the state of Oregon, and authorizing the holder to teach in the public schools of this state, shall be classified as follows:

1. Life state certificates.
 - Five-year state certificates.
 - Primary five-year state certificates.
 - One-year state certificates.
 - Special certificates.
2. Temporary county certificates.
3. Special district certificates. [Laws 1911, Chap. 58, page 86, Sec. 3.]