

thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven (1887), be amended to read as follows:

Formation of
new school
districts,

"Whenever in any school district, or districts of this state there are fifteen (15) or more children of school age, whose parents or guardians are legal voters of said district or districts, and reside more than two (2) miles from any school house in such district or districts, upon a petition signed by a majority of such parents or guardians, presented to the board of county commissioners of the county in which such district or districts may be situated, and setting forth therein that by reasons of swamps, marshy or other natural impediments, it is impracticable to locate a site for, or build a school house near the center of such district or districts, and describing the territory said petitioners may desire to comprise the new district prayed for, the said board of county commissioners shall act upon said petition, and shall have the power to form a new school district out of the territory of the district or districts aforesaid, of such proportions and in such manner as in the judgment of the board seems most practicable to answer the educational needs of the petitioners and others similarly situated.

SEC. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

When act to
take effect.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 5, 1889.

CHAPTER 166.

[S. F. No. 481.]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION NINETEEN (19) OF CHAPTER THIRTY-SIX (36) OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF MINNESOTA, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT (1878), RELATING TO THE REMOVAL OF SCHOOL HOUSE SITES.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

School house
sites, removal
of.

SECTION 1. That section nineteen (19) of chapter (36) general statutes of Minnesota one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight (1878), be and the same is hereby amended by striking out subdivision "fourth" of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Fourth:—To designate a site for a school house; *provided*, that the site for a school house shall not be changed after having been designated, unless at least a majority of

the legal voters in the district who have resided therein for a period of at least six (6) months prior to such vote, and two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the voters, so qualified, who are present and voting, vote in favor of such change; except that whenever a majority of the legal voters of any school district, voting thereon, shall determine to build a new school house, or to remove a school house already built in such district, and the school house site therein shall be more than one-quarter ($\frac{1}{4}$) of a mile from the centre of the district; then a majority of the legal voters of such district, voting thereon, may change the site to a more central location.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to
take effect.

Approved April 24th, 1889.

CHAPTER 167.

[S. F. No. 306.]

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED, "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ESTABLISHING A STATE PUBLIC SCHOOL," BEING CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIX (146) OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF MINNESOTA FOR THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE (1885).

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That chapter one hundred and forty-six (146) of the general statutes of the state for the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five (1885) be amended as follows:

Who shall be
received into
state public
school.

SEC. 2. That section eleven (11) of said act be amended so as to read as follows: "Section 11. There shall be received into said school those children who have been declared dependent on the public for support, abandoned, neglected, or ill-treated as provided in this act, who are over two (2) and under fourteen (14) years of age, and sound in mind and body. That said board is authorized in admitting children to give preference to those under twelve (12) years of age."

SEC. 3. That section twelve (12) of said act be amended so as to read as follows: "Section 12. That those admitted to said school, unless sent from the school as provided by this act, shall be retained therein until they are sixteen (16) years of age, and may be retained after that age in the option of said board, until a home is procured for

Scholars, how
long retained,
how taught, &c.