§ 3810. No costs to plaintiffs in certain cases. 1. In any action against school officers, including supervisors of towns, in respect to their duties and powers under this chapter, for any act performed by virtue of or under the color of their offices, or for any refusal or omission to perform any duty enjoined by law, and which might have been the subject of an appeal to the commissioner of education, no costs shall be allowed to the plaintiff, in cases where the court shall certify that it appeared on the trial that the defendants acted in good faith.

2. The provision of subdivision one of this section shall not extend to suits for penalties, nor to suits or proceedings to enforce the decisions of the commissioner of education.