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House of Representatives, January 24, 1961

Referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Johnson of Smithfield.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to **Tattooing.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, §§ 126-A - 126-F, additional. Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 6 new sections to be numbered 126-A to 126-F, to read as follows:

'Tattooing.

Sec. 126-A. A license to tattoo required. No person shall place a tattoo upon the body of another human being without first obtaining a license from the Department of Health and Welfare.

Sec. 126-B. Department to license. The department is empowered to license persons to practice the art of tattooing. Such licenses shall be issued annually by the department upon the payment of a fee of \$25. Licenses shall expire on September 30th of each year.

Sec. 126-C. Rules and regulations. The department is authorized and empowered to make necessary rules and regulations governing the application of tattoos upon the body of human beings.

Sec. 126-D. Tattoos restricted. No person shall place a tattoo mark or figure upon the body of a female person or a male minor under the age of 18 years.

Sec. 126-E. Exemption. Sections 126-A to 126-F are not intended to apply to any act of a practitioner of the healing arts licensed in the State and performed in the course of his practice.

Sec. 126-F. Definition. Tattoo means to insert pigment under the skin of a human being by pricking with a needle or otherwise, so as to produce an indelible mark or figure visible through the skin.'

Sec. 2. Effective date. This act shall become effective on October 1, 1961.