

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

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# Seventieth Legislature.

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HOUSE.

No. 471

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND ONE.

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AN ACT to amend section 2, chapter 315 of the Public Laws of  
1897 relative to dead human bodies.

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in  
Legislature assembled, as follows:*

Section 1. Section two, chapter three hundred and fifteen  
2 of the Public Laws of 1897 is hereby amended by inserting  
3 after the word bodies in the fourth line thereof the words  
4 'required to be buried at public expense,' so that said section  
5 shall read as follows:

'Sect. 2. All public officers, agents, and servants of any and  
7 every county, city, town, and other municipality, and of any  
8 and every almshouse, prison, morgue, hospital, or any other

9 public institution having charge or control over dead human  
10 bodies required to be buried at the public expense, are hereby  
11 required to notify immediately the said board of distribution,  
12 or such person or persons as may from time to time be desig-  
13 nated by said board, or its duly authorized officer or agent,  
14 whenever any such body or bodies come into his or their pos-  
15 session, charge, or control, and shall, without fee or reward de-  
16 liver such body or bodies to said board, or its duly authorized  
17 officer or agent, and permit and suffer the said board or its  
18 agents, or the physicians and surgeons from time to time  
19 designated by it or them, who comply with the provisions of  
20 this act, to take and remove any and all such bodies to be used  
21 within this state for the advancement of medical education ;  
22 but no such notice need be given and no such body shall be  
23 delivered, if any person, satisfying the authorities in charge  
24 of said body that he or she is a member of the family or of  
25 next of kin to the deceased, shall claim the body for burial,  
26 but it shall be surrendered to him or her for interment, and  
27 no notice shall be given and no body delivered to said board  
28 or its agents, if such deceased person was a traveler and not  
29 a vagabond, who died suddenly, in which case the said body  
30 shall be buried.



STATE OF MAINE.

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

AUGUSTA, March 18, 1901.

Reported by Mr. PATTANGALL of Machias, from Committee on  
Legal Affairs, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. S. COTTON, *Clerk.*