

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 530

House of Representatives, March 6, 1915.

Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on School for Feeble Minded.

Committee on Reference.

Presented by Mr. Jordan of Baileyville.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to provide for the care, support and maintenance of
the State Poor.

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

Section 1. The State shall establish and maintain a Farm
2 for the care, support and maintenance of the indigent poor
3 who have no legal pauper residence within any of the Mu-
4 nicipalities of the State.

Sect. 2. Said Farm shall be located adjacent to the land of
2 the Maine State School For Feeble Minded and shall be
3 under the control and superintendence of the Hospital Trus-
4 tees of the State of Maine, and the Superintendent of said

5 School For Feeble Minded shall be the Superintendent of
6 the State Farm for the Poor.

Sect. 3. Any person, who, under the provisions of the Stat-
2 ute are known as State Paupers, may be removed to said
3 State Farm for the Poor as provided by Chapter one hun-
4 dred fifty-eight of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred
5 thirteen.

Sect. 4. The Governor and Council shall by purchase, lease
2 or otherwise, provide a farm or farms for the aforesaid
3 purpose, and shall, as soon as practical, properly furnish and
4 equip the same to carry out the purposes of this act.

Sect. 5. There is hereby appropriated the sum of ten thou-
2 sand dollars for the year nineteen hundred and fifteen and
3 ten thousand dollars for the year nineteen hundred sixteen
4 to be expended under the direction of the Governor and
5 Council in the purchase, lease or otherwise providing a farm
6 or farms furnishing and stocking same including mainte-
7 nance.

STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The annual cost for the past few years has been in the neighborhood of \$75,000 to \$80,000 for each year, distributed among about 150 municipalities.