

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 301

In Senate, March 9, 1917.

*Reported by Mr. Higgins from Committee on Appropriations
and Financial Affairs and ordered printed under joint rules.*

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to regulate the payments of appropriations for the
care, treatment, support and education of persons in chari-
table or benevolent institutions not wholly owned or con-
trolled by the state.

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

Section 1. No part of any appropriation made by the state
2 for the care, treatment, support or education of any person
3 in any charitable or benevolent institution not wholly owned
4 or controlled by the state shall be paid until duly itemized
5 bills, showing the name of the person cared for, the date
6 on which the service was rendered, and the rate charged

7 therefor per day or week, shall have been audited and cer-
8 tified by the state auditor as prescribed by chapter 2, section
9 82, revised statutes, 1916, and any act amendatory thereof.

Sect. 2. No such bill shall be allowed by the state auditor
2 unless it bears a certificate of the state board of charities
3 and corrections or its secretary, showing that satisfactory
4 evidence has been filed in its office by the institution, fur-
5 nishing the service that the persons receiving care were in
6 need of such treatment, support or education; that they have
7 not received any pauper supplies within one year prior to
8 the receipt of such assistance; that neither they or their
9 responsible relatives as defined by section 18, chapter 29,
10 revised statutes, 1916, are able to pay for the same; that
11 the rates charged are not greater than those charged to the
12 general public for the same service, and that the rates
13 charged to those who are able to pay are not less than the
14 cost of the service rendered.

Sect. 3. No person shall be deemed a pauper by reason of
2 having received the benefit of any funds, either state or
3 municipal, which shall have been expended in his behalf
4 under the provisions of this act for care, support, medical
5 or surgical treatment, or education.

Sect. 4. The state auditor shall prescribe and furnish such
2 blank forms as are necessary for rendering the bills desig-
3 nated in section 1 of this act and the state board of charities
4 and corrections shall prescribe such regulations and furnish

5 such blank forms as are necessary for carrying out the pro-
6 visions of section 2 of this act.

Sect. 5. Section 99, chapter 2, revised statutes, 1916, and
2 all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby
3 repealed.