

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SENATE AMENDMENT A TO HOUSE BILL NO. 464

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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SENATE

NO. 299

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In Senate, April 1, 1919.

Presented by Mr. Ricker of Hancock and 500 copies ordered printed.

P. F. CRANE, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Ricker of Hancock.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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Amend title by striking out the words "Sections," "Forty,"  
2 "Forty-one," "Forty-two," "Forty-three," "Forty-seven"  
3 and "and" and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'Section.'

Amend said bill by striking out all after the enacting  
2 clause and inserting the following:

'Sect. 48, I. The provision of the eight preceding sec-  
2 tions shall apply only to cities and towns having a pop-  
3 ulation of less than forty thousand inhabitants; provided,  
4 however, that any town or city may install such school  
5 physicians, dentists and nurses as may be deemed neces-  
6 sary, and shall be eligible to state aid in accordance with  
7 further provisions of this section.

II. In the selection of school physicians and dentists  
2 only properly qualified persons who are graduates of  
3 standard medical or dental colleges shall be chosen, and  
4 preference shall be given those who have had special train-  
5 ing for school work. School nurses shall be registered  
6 nurses in good standing and in their selection preference  
7 shall be given to those who have had special training for  
8 such service.

III. Nothing in this section shall be construed to in-  
2 terfere with the right of a parent or guardian to select  
3 a physician or mode of treatment of his choice and no  
4 pupil or minor shall be compelled to submit to medical  
5 examination or treatment whose parent or guardian has  
6 conscientious objection to the same, but it shall be neces-  
7 sary in such cases for the parent or legal guardian of  
8 the children concerned to file with the teacher written af-  
9 firmation as to the ground of objection such as the su-  
10 perintending school committee may require.

IV. Whenever at the close of the school year the su-  
2 perintendent of schools of any town or city shall certify  
3 under oath to the state superintendent of public schools,  
4 in such detailed form as the state superintendent may re-  
5 quire, the amount expended for the services of medical  
6 and dental examiners and school nurses, and other infor-  
7 mation relative to the number of children examined and  
8 treated, state aid shall be paid by the treasurer of state  
9 annually in December as reimbursement to the extent of

10 one-half the expenditure for the services of such exam-  
11 iners and nurses; provided that the amount so paid shall  
12 not exceed six hundred dollars for each one thousand pu-  
13 pils examined, treated or attended; and provided further,  
14 that the expenditure of any town for these purposes shall  
15 be from funds other than those received from the state or  
16 required by law to be raised for the support of common  
17 schools.