

# EIGHTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Payson of Portland.

### STATE OF MAINE

#### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN

#### AN ACT Relating to Pauper Settlements

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

**R. S., c. 33, § 4, amended.** Section 4 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 4. Towns relieving persons, who lose settlement under section 3, reimbursed by state. Whenever a person having a pauper settlement in a town loses such settlement by virtue of the provisions of section 3, relief shall be furnished, and towns furnishing such relief shall be reimbursed by the state as provided in section 22, in case of paupers having no legal settlement in the state. In case the settlement of a person cannot be determined, after a diligent effort and search by the municipality furnishing pauper supplies to said person, then said person shall be deemed to have no settlement in the state, and the state shall be liable for the support of said person; provided, however, that the commissioner of health and welfare or his duly authorized agent shall first be satisfied that the municipality furnishing the relief has made a diligent effort and search to establish the true legal settlement of said person.'

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