

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Referred to Committee on Public Health. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Townsend of Penobscot.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-THREE

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### **AN ACT to Control and Eradicate Venereal Diseases.**

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

**Sec. 1. Purposes of the act.** The department of health and welfare, through its bureau of health, is hereby authorized to administer a program to extend and improve its services for controlling and eradicating venereal diseases.

**Sec. 2. Acceptance of provisions of federal law.** The department is hereby authorized to

(a) Apply for federal aid under the provisions of the Venereal Disease Control Act of 1938;

(b) Cooperate with the federal government through the United States Public Health Service in matters of mutual concern pertaining to venereal diseases, including such methods of administration as are found to be necessary for the efficient operation of the plan for such aid;

(c) Make such reports in such form and containing such information as the Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service may require, and comply with such provisions as said Surgeon General may find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports.

**Sec. 3. Federal grants.** The treasurer of state shall be the appropriate fiscal officer of the state to receive federal grants on account of venereal disease services as contemplated by the Venereal Disease Control Act of 1938, and the state controller shall authorize expenditures therefrom as approved by the department of health and welfare.