

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 320

In Senate, January 31, 1961

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Cyr of Aroostook.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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AN ACT Relating to Public Health Nursing.

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

**R. S., c. 90-A, § 6, amended.** Section 6 of chapter 90-A of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1957, is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 6. Employment of nurses; state contribution.** ~~A municipality may employ, by itself or in conjunction with other contributing municipalities or private agencies, a qualified public health nurse to conduct a program acceptable to the Department of Health and Welfare. The Department of Health and Welfare in conjunction with one or more municipalities may employ, subject to the Personnel Law, a qualified public health nurse to conduct a program of public health nursing in said municipality or municipalities.~~

**I. State contribution.** ~~When a public health nursing program meets the requirements of the Department of Health and Welfare, the~~ **The State** may contribute not more than 50% annually for paying the salary and travel expenses of the public health nurse.

**II. When not made.** A state contribution may not be made where the population of any municipality **or the combined population of 2 or more municipalities seeking or having a public health nursing program under this section** exceeds 6,000 according to the 'last decennia' census of the United States.

**III. How paid.** The contribution of the municipality shall be paid to the ~~State~~ **Treasurer of State** and credited to the Department of Health and Welfare. ~~Whenever the State contributes, the Department of Health and Welfare shall pay the salary and travel expenses of the public health nurse.~~

**IV. Source of payment.** The state's share may be paid from the state appropriation to the Department of Health and Welfare, or from federal grants to the State when plans are approved by the granting agency.'