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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Maxwell of Jay.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Age of Compulsory Education.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 41, § 92, amended. The first sentence of section 92 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 48 of chapter 364 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

Every child between the 7th and 15th 17th anniversaries of his birth and every child between the 15th and 17th anniversaries who cannot read at sight and write legibly simple sentences in the English language and every child between the 15th and 16th anniversaries who has not completed the grades of the elementary school shall attend some public day school during the time such school is in session, and an absence therefrom of ½ day or more shall be deemed a violation of this requirement. The first sentence of this section shall not apply to a child who has been graduated from high school before his 17th anniversary or to a child with subnormal mental capacity.

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 41, § 92, amended. The last sentence of section 92 of chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 48 of chapter 364 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'A child between the ages of 15 and 16 under 17 years of age who, because of subnormal mental capacity, is unable to successfully pass the tests necessary to allow a regular work permit to be issued, may under conditions deemed proper receive a work permit issued jointly by the Commissioner of Education and the Commissioner of Labor, such persons to be employed in nonhazardous occupations,'