

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 2, 1967

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Carswell of Portland.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to Right of Entry and Inspection of Nursing Homes.**

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

**R. S., T. 22, § 1820-A, additional.** Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 1820-A, to read as follows:

**§ 1820-A. Right of entry and inspection of nursing homes**

The department (Health and Welfare) and any duly designated officer or employee thereof shall have the right to enter upon and into the premises of any nursing home licensed pursuant to this chapter at any time in order to determine the state of compliance with this chapter and any rules and regulations in force pursuant thereto. Such right of entry and inspection shall extend to any premises which the department has reason to believe is being operated or maintained as a nursing home without a license, but no such entry or inspection of any premises shall be made without the permission of the owner or person in charge thereof, unless a warrant is first obtained from the District Court authorizing the same. Any application for a nursing home license made pursuant to this chapter shall constitute permission for and complete acquiescence in any entry or inspection of the premises for which the license is sought in order to facilitate verification of the information submitted on or in connection with such application.