

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 483

House of Representatives, February 5, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Starbird of Kingman Township.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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**AN ACT** Relating to Tuition for State Wards.

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

R. S., T. 20, § 1293, repealed and replaced. Section 1293 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 1293. Tuition for state wards

Any child between the ages of 5 and 20 assigned to a private home or to a boarding school by the Department of Health and Welfare shall have school privileges in the unit to which he is assigned. For the purpose of state aid, such students shall be classified as resident pupils, and the net local cost of educating any such child shall be reimbursed to the unit providing or paying for the educational service. The net local cost of educating such children shall include only those school operating expenses paid by the administrative unit on account of such children and shall be computed for each school on the basis of financial reports and school enrollment figures required by and filed with the commissioner for each school year ending June 30. Payments shall be made to each administrative unit based on the average net local per pupil cost of education during the previous fiscal year. The payment shall be made in the fiscal year immediately following the expenditure year of the unit.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent of this bill is to reimburse those units for the cost to the local taxpayer whenever nonresident students are assigned to the unit for school purposes by the Department of Health and Welfare.