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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 651 House of Representatives, February 16, 1971 Referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. White of Guilford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Requiring a Physical Examination in Mental Competency Examination at State Mental Hospitals.

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

R. S., T. 15, § 101, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 101 of Title 15 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 279 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

The examination, including a physical examination, may be conducted at the Augusta State Hospital, Bangor State Hospital, Pineland Hospital and Training Center or at a mental health clinic of, or recommended by, the Department of Mental Health and Corrections, and when conducted at any such facility shall be the responsibility of a psychiatrist of a licensed physician who may join with him in such examination other psychiatrists, of clinical psychologists or other professional persons as in his opinion are required.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This makes a physical examination a part of the preliminary examination for determination of competency.