

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Carswell of Cumberland.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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**AN ACT to Provide Transportation for Blind Adults Attending Educational  
Facilities.**

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

**R. S., T. 22, § 3504, additional.** Title 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 3504 to read as follows:

**§ 3504. Transportation for the blind**

The department shall fund and provide transportation for blind adults attending educational facilities.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Blind adults training in educational facilities must travel in areas which could be detrimental to their safety and health.

When such blind persons accept employment they can be more selective as to the area of employment, selecting establishments which are located in better locations for their particular needs. Such transportation is provided for blind children by the Department of Health and Welfare. This will serve to cause greater numbers of blind adults to become involved in the main-stream of community activities. They can live more productive and happier lives.