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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 234

S. P. 88

In Senate, January 18, 1973

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

Presented by Senator Tanous of Penobscot.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Duties of School Committees Concerning
Persons not Immunized Against Certain Diseases.

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

R. S., T. 20, § 473, sub-§ 6, repealed and replaced. Subsection 6 of section 473 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

6. Persons not immunized excluded. Exclude, when requested to do so by the Director of Health or if they deem it expedient, any person not having evidence of current immunization against smallpox, or diphtheria, or tetanus, or pertussis (whooping cough), or poliomyelitis, or rubeola (measles), or rubella (German measles) or any other communicable illness for which immunization is available, unless the parent or guardian of such person shall present a signed statement that such parent or guardian is opposed to said immunization or a statement signed by a licensed physician indicating that said immunization is not medically advisable for said person. Should either of these statements be submitted, said person shall be excluded at the request of the Director of Health when in his opinion epidemic occurrence of the particular illness makes such exclusion necessary for the protection of the public health.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to revise the duty of school committees as it relates to excluding persons not immunized against certain diseases.