

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 185**

S. P. 88

In Senate, January 12, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Perkins of Hancock.

Cosponsors: Senator Gill of Cumberland, Mr. A. Perkins of Brooksville and Mrs. Prescott of Hampden.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Requiring the Reporting of Reyes Syndrome by Persons Examining or Treating the Disease.**

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

22 MRSA c. 269 is enacted to read:

**CHAPTER 269**

**REYES SYNDROME**

**§ 1671. Report of treatment of child for reyes syndrome**

A physician, intern, physician assistant, public health nurse or any other person who professionally examines or treats a child with Reyes Syndrome shall report that examination or treatment to the department in accordance with rules and regulations established by the commissioner and shall be submitted as soon as possible after the examination or treatment.

**§ 1672. Records of reports**

The department shall maintain comprehensive records of all reports submitted under this chapter. The reports shall be confidential and shall be released by the

**department only upon written request of the subject of the report, or his guardian, executor, attorney or other person designated by the subject, in writing. The reports and records or information contained in them may also be released by the department to persons authorized by the commissioner to conduct research studies or to other persons, but no report or record may be released which allows identification of the subjects of the reports or records.**

**§ 1673. Violation**

**Violation of this chapter is a civil violation for which a forfeiture of not more than \$100 may be adjudged.**

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

The purpose of this bill is to require persons treating children with reyes syndrome to report the treatment to the Department of Human Services.