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(New Draft of S.P. 406, L.D. 1254)

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1538

S.P. 517

In Senate, April 29, 1983

Reported by Senator Bustin of Kennebec from the Committee on Health and Institutional Services and printed under Joint Rule 2.

Original bill presented by Senator Bustin of Kennebec. Cosponsored by Senator Gill of Cumberland and Representative Allen of Washington.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Concerning Smoking in Nursing
Homes.

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

22 MRSA §1825 is enacted to read:

§1825. Smoking in nursing homes

Residents, visitors and personnel in any nursing home licensed pursuant to this chapter may smoke only in specifically-designated areas of the nursing home.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The new draft simplifies the original bill, retaining only the first provision, but stating it positively rather than as a prohibition.

1 "Patients" are now more appropriately referred to
2 as "residents." Smoking in nursing homes will take
3 place only in specifically-designated areas, which
4 could include patient rooms.

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