

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 646

H.P. 479 House of Representatives, March 5, 1987  
Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and  
ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative KIMBALL of Buxton.

Cosponsored by Representative ROLDE of York, Senator GILL  
of Cumberland and President PRAY of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

1 AN ACT to Allow On-site Educational Programs  
2 at Private Institutions.  
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4 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
5 follows:

6 20-A MRSA §7251, sub-§1 is enacted to read:

7 1. Hospitalized child. For a child unable to  
8 attend school because of hospitalization, if the hos-  
9 pital has contracted with a certified private school  
10 unit for ongoing educational services and that con-  
11 tract has been approved by the Commissioner of Educa-  
12 tional and Cultural Services, the local school unit  
13 shall be responsible for reimbursing the private  
14 school for educational services provided for those  
15 special education students.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2           This bill allows children hospitalized at private  
3 specialty institutions and hospitals to receive regu-  
4 lar educational programs provided by private educa-  
5 tional facilities, by assuring appropriate reimburse-  
6 ment for those services. Currently, only certain  
7 tutors, arranged by public school units, can provide  
8 these educational services. This has resulted in  
9 erratic education for children.

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