

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# FIFTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE.

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SENATE.

No. 23.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FOUR.

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AN ACT additional to chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes respecting liability of railroads for paupers.

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

SECTION 1. Any railroad corporation or steamboat  
2 company which brings into this state any person having  
3 no settlement therein, if such person shall fall into dis-  
4 tress or from any cause shall become a public charge  
5 to any city, town or plantation therein, within one year  
6 thereafter, said corporation or company, on being noti-  
7 fied of the same in writing by the overseers of the poor  
8 or municipal officers of such city, town or plantation,  
9 shall cause the removal of any such person so falling  
10 into distress or becoming a public charge as aforesaid,  
11 which they are hereby authorized to do ; and in default

12 thereof such corporation or company shall be liable in  
13 an action of the case for the expense of the support,  
14 sickness and burial of any such person, incurred after  
15 said notice.

SECT. 2. The notice mentioned in the foregoing sec-  
2 tion shall be deemed sufficient if left with any person  
3 acting as treasurer, superintendent or assistant super-  
4 intendent of any such railroad corporation, or agent of  
5 any such steamboat company.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

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In SENATE, February 7, 1874.

Reported from Committee on Legal Affairs, by Mr. FOSTER of  
Oxford, and laid over to be printed under the Joint Rule.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*