

# FIFTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE.

### SENATE.

No 10.

## STATE OF MAINE.

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

[S. 52.] AN ACT to amend section twenty-two of chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes, relating to paupers.

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

Section twenty-two of chapter twenty-four of the 2 revised statutes, as amended by chapter two hundred 3 and thirty of the public laws of eighteen hundred and 4 seventy-four, is hereby amended by striking out all of 5 said section after the word "relief" in the thirteenth 6 line of said section as amended, and inserting in lieu 7 thereof the words "and whenever a city or town shall 8 furnish relief to a pauper or paupers having no legal 9 settlement in this state, the state shall reimburse such 10 city or town affording them relief to the amount the

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11 governor and council adjudge to have been necessarily12 expended therefor," so that the same shall read13 as follows:

Sect. 22. Persons living in places not incorporated, 14 15 and needing relief, are under the care of the overseers 16 of the oldest incorporated adjoining town, or the near-17 est incorporated town where there are none adjoining, 18 who shall furnish relief to such persons as if they were 19 found in such town; and such overseers may bind to 20 service the children of such persons as they may those 21 of paupers of their own town; and may bind out per-22 sons described in section twenty in the manner therein 23 provided, residing in such unincorporated place, as if 24 in their own town, and such persons shall be entitled 25 to a like remedy and relief. When relief is so pro-26 vided, the towns furnishing it are entitled to the same 27 remedies against the towns of their settlement as if 28 they resided in the town so furnishing relief. And 29 whenever a city or town shall furnish relief to a pauper 30 or paupers having no legal settlement in this state, the 31 state shall reimburse such city or town affording them 32 relief to the amount the governor and council adjudge 33 to have been necessarily expended therefor.

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IN SENATE, February 2, 1875.

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SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.