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## Seventy-first Legislature.

SENATE.

No. 135

## STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND THREE.

AN ACT to amend chapter sixty-seven of the Revised Statutes and chapter one hundred forty-three of the Revised Statutes relating to the appointment of guardians for persons insane.

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

Section 1. Section five of chapter sixty-seven of the 2 Revised Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 5. Guardians may be appointed, on application as 4 aforesaid, for persons certified by the municipal officers of 5 any town to have been committed by them or their prececes-6 sors, to either insane hospital, and there remaining, upon 7 proof of the facts, without personal notice to the parties. In 8 all cases where the municipal officers or overseers of the poor

9 are applicants, if they have given at least fourteen days' 10 notice to such person by serving him with a copy of their 11 application, the judge may adjudicate thereon without further 12 notice or may order such notice, if any, as he thinks reason-13 able.'

Sect. 2. Section six of said chapter sixty-seven is hereby 2 amended so as to read as follows:

'Sect. 6. In all other cases, the judge shall appoint a time 4 and place for hearing and shall order that notice of the pro5 ceedings be given by serving the person for whom a guardian 6 is requested with a copy of the application and order of the 7 court, at least fourteen days before the day of hearing. If 8 upon such hearing, he adjudges that such person is insane; 9 a spendthrift, or incapable as aforesaid, he shall appoint a 10 guardian.'

- Sect. 3. Section twenty-seven of chapter one hundred 2 forty-three of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed.
  - Sect. 4. This act shall take effect when approved.



## STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 27, 1903.

Reported by Mr. GOODWIN from Committee on Revision of Statutes, and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

KENDALL M. DUNBAR, Secretary.