

# SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

# HOUSE

## NO. 186

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### STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to encourage and promote the Building and Use of Tuberculosis Hospitals in Cities and Towns.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section 1. Every city and town which establishes and
2 maintains a Tuberculosis Hospital shall be entitled to receive
3 from the State a subsidy of five dollars per week for each
4 patient who is unable to pay for his support, or whose kin5 dred bound by law to maintain him are unabble to pay for
6 the same, but the city or town shall not become entitled to
7 this subsidy unless, upon examination authorized by the
8 trustees of hospitals for consumptives or in the absence of
9 such a board of trustees an examination authorized by the

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10 state board of health, the sputum of such patients shall be 11 found to contain the bacilli of tuberculosis, and unless the 12 hospital be subject to the inspection of, and be approved by 13 said trustees of said board of health.

Sect. 2. Said trustees of hospitals for consumptives, or in 2 the absence of said board of trustees the state board of 3 health, shall certify in the case of each hospital approved 4 by them as provided in the preceding section the number of 5 patients for whom the city or town is entitled to the subsidy, 6 and upon certification the subsidy shall be paid from the 7 treasury of the State and in the same manner in which other 8 claims against the State are paid.