

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 632

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*House of Representatives, March 21, 1913.*

*Reported by Mr. Smith of Patten from Committee on Judiciary, and ordered printed under joint rules.*

*W. R. ROIX, Clerk.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT to amend Section thirty-two of Chapter twenty-seven of the Revised Statutes, relating to care and support of paupers.

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*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:*

Section 1. Section thirty-two of chapter twenty-seven of  
2 the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto  
3 the following words: 'And whenever any person for whose  
4 support the state is liable shall be in need of immediate re-  
5 lief, the governor and council may order such person to be  
6 removed to any town within the state or placed in the care  
7 of any state institution without formal commitment, and  
8 such orders shall be carried out by the overseers of the poor

9 of the town required by law to provide relief for such per-  
10 son, or by any official designated by the governor and coun-  
11 cil. 'The expenses of such removal shall be paid by the state  
12 from the appropriation for support of paupers, provided  
13 that no such person or pauper shall be removed into any  
14 town, other than a town required by law to provide relief  
15 for such person or pauper, without the consent of the over-  
16 seers of the poor of the town into which it is proposed to  
17 move said person or pauper,' so that said section as amend-  
18 ed shall read as follows:

'Sect. 32. Whenever towns that are compelled to care for  
20 and furnish relief to state paupers in unincorporated places,  
21 for reasons of economy desire to remove the same into their  
22 own town, their overseers of the poor may make a written  
23 request, stating their reasons to the governor and council,  
24 who shall examine the same, and if in their judgment such  
25 state paupers would thereby be supported with less expense  
26 to the state, may permit in writing such transfer to be made.  
27 Whenever state paupers are thus transferred and maintained  
28 in a town for such purposes, they do not become paupers of  
29 such town by residence therein, while so maintained. And  
30 whenever any person for whose support the state is liable  
31 shall be in need of immediate relief, the governor and coun-  
32 cil may order such person to be removed to any town with-  
33 in the state or placed in the care of any state institution  
34 without formal commitment, and such orders shall be car-  
35 ried out by the overseers of the poor of the town required

36 by law to provide relief for such person, or by any official  
37 designated by the governor and council. The expenses of  
38 such removal shall be paid by the state from the appropri-  
39 ation for support of paupers; provided that no such person  
40 or pauper shall be removed into any town, other than a  
41 town required by law to provide relief for such person or  
42 pauper, without the consent of the overseers of the poor of  
43 the town into which it is proposed to move said person or  
44 pauper.'