

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 254

In Senate, March 4, 1915.

Reported by Sen. Thurston from Committee on School for Feeble Minded, and ordered printed under joint rules.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN

AN ACT to amend Section 6 of Chapter 44 of the Public Laws of 1907, in relation to the discharge of inmates of the Maine School for Feeble Minded.

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

Section 6 of chapter 44 of the public laws of 1907 is hereby amended by striking out the words "any three" in the ninth line thereof, and inserting instead thereof the words, 'a majority,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 6. Any order of committal under this act shall be subject to appeal in the same manner by the same persons and to the same extent that decrees of the judge of probate appointing guardians over persons alleged to be insane or

10 incompetent or spendthrift, and no committal under this act
11 shall bar habeas corpus proceedings, but the court upon
12 habeas corpus proceedings may confirm the order of com-
13 mitment whenever justice requires. Any inmate of the
14 Maine School for the Feeble Minded may be discharged
15 by a majority of the trustees or by a justice of the supreme
16 court or superior court of the state whenever a further de-
17 tention in such school in their opinion is unnecessary, but
18 any person so discharged who was under sentence of impris-
19 onment at the time of his commitment, the period of which
20 shall not have expired, shall be committed or remanded to
21 prison for such unexpired time.'