

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 334

In Senate, March 12, 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 5 of Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1907 relating to the transfer of patients from one insane hospital to the other, and to provide for the transfer of patients from the insane hospitals to the Maine School for Feeble Minded, and for the transfer of inmates from said school to either of said hospitals.

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

Section 1. Section 5 of chapter 144 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 100 of the public laws of 1907, is hereby amended by striking out the word "receiving" in the twelfth line and by inserting in place thereof the word 'transferring,' and by striking out the

6 words, "out of the appropriation for insane state benefi-
7 ciaries" at the end of said section, so that said section, as
8 amended, shall read as follows :

'Sect. 5. The trustees may transfer any patients from one
10 hospital to the other, whenever, in their judgment, the wel-
11 fare of the patients or of either institution will be promoted
12 thereby. A copy of the certificate of commitment certified
13 by the superintendent of the hospital in which said patient
14 has been confined, with a certificate signed by the secretary
15 of the trustees, showing that such transfer has been voted
16 by the trustees, shall authorize the superintendent of the
17 hospital to which such patient is transferred to receive and
18 detain him in custody in the same manner as if he had origi-
19 nally been committed to such institution. The expense at-
20 tending such transfer shall be paid out of the funds of the
21 hospital transferring such patient, and shall be a charge
22 upon the person liable for the board of such patient, and if
23 the board of such patient is paid by the state, the expense
24 of such transfer shall be paid by the state.'

Sect. 2. The trustees are hereby authorized to transfer
2 feeble minded persons, who are now or may be hereafter
3 in said insane hospitals, to the Maine School for Feeble
4 Minded, and may transfer any inmate of the Maine School
5 for Feeble Minded to either insane hospital, whenever in
6 their judgment the welfare of the patients and inmates or
7 of either institution will be promoted thereby. A copy of
8 the certificate of commitment certified by the superintend-

9 ent of the hospital or said school in which said patient or
10 inmate has been confined, with a certificate signed by the
11 secretary of the trustees, showing that such transfer has
12 been voted by the trustees, shall authorize the superintend-
13 ent of the hospital or said school to which such patient or
14 inmates is transferred to receive and detain him in custody
15 in the same manner as if he had originally been committed
16 to such institution. The expense attending such transfer
17 shall be paid out of the funds of the institution transferring
18 such patient or inmate and shall be a charge upon the person
19 liable for the board of such patient or inmate, and if such
20 board is paid by the state, the expense of such transfer shall
21 be paid by the state.

Sect. 3. Chapter 203 of the public laws of 1909, relating
2 to the transfer of patients in insane hospitals, is hereby re-
3 pealed.