

SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 377

House of Representatives, Feb. 22, 1917.

Referred to Committee on State Sanatoriums and one thousand copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Barnes of Houlton.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Chapter 146, Section 5, relating to State Sanatoriums.

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

Chapter 146, Section 5, is hereby amended by striking out 2 all of the words after the word "disease" in the sixth line 3 and before the word "if" in the eighth line, so that said 4 section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 5. Persons having legal residence in Maine shall 2 be admitted to these sanatoriums from any part of the 3 state; provided after due examination by any reputable

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4 physician or the superintendent of the sanatorium said per-5 son shall be found to be suffering from tuberculosis. Ac-6 cording to the capacity of the sanatorium, such patients 7 shall be eligible for treatment in all stages of the disease. 8 If upon due inquiry into the circumstances of a patient, 9 the superintendent of a sanatorium finds such patient or 10 his relatives unable to pay for his care and treatment in 11 whole or in part, the charge for such care and treatment 12 not so paid shall be laid upon the state. No discrimination 13 shall be made in the accommodation, care or treatment of 14 the patient because of the fact that the patient or his rela-15 tives do or do not contribute in whole or in part to the 16 charge for treatment; and no officer or employee of such 17 state sanatorium shall accept from any patient thereof any 18 fee or gratuity whatever for any service rendered.'

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