

# SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

## SENATE

## NO. 100

In Senate, Feb. 6, 1917.

Reported by Mr. Grant from Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and ordered printed and recommitted. W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Higgins of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to regulate the payments of appropriations for the care, treatment, support and education of persons in charitable or benevolent institutions not wholly owned or controlled by the state.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section 1. No part of any appropriation made by the state
2 for the care, treatment, support or education of any person in
3 any charitable or benevolent institution not wholly owned or
4 controlled by the state shall be paid until duly itemized bills,
5 showing the name of the person cared for, the date on which

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6 the service was rendered, and the rate charged therefor per 7 day or week, shall have been audited and certified by the 8 State Auditor as prescribed by Chapter 2, Section 82, Re-9 vised Statutes, 1916, and any act amendatory thereof.

Sect. 2. No such bill shall be allowed by the State 2 Auditor unless it bears a certificate of the State Board of 3 Charities and Corrections or its secretary, showing that satis-4 factory evidence has been filed in its office by the institution 5 furnishing the service that the persons receiving care were in 6 need of such treatment, support or education; that they have 7 not received any pauper supplies within one year prior to the 8 receipt of such assistance; that neither they or their respon-9 sible relatives as defined by Section 18, Chapter 29, Revised 10 Statutes, 1916, are able to pay for the same; and that the 11 rates charged are not greater than those charged to the gen-12 eral public for the same service.

Sect. 3. No person shall be deemed a pauper by reason of 2 having received the benefit of any funds, either state or 3 municipal, which shall have been expended in his behalf 4 under the provisions of this act for care, support, medical or 5 surgical treatment, or education.

Sect. 4. The State Auditor shall prescribe and furnish 2 such blank forms as are necessary for rendering the bills 3 designated in Section 1 of this act and the State Board of 4 Charities and Corrections shall prescribe such regulations 5 and furnish such blank forms as are necessary for carrying 6 out the provisions of Section 2 of this act.

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Sect. 5. Section 99, Chapter 2, Revised Statutes, 1916, and 2 all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith, are hereby 3 repealed.