

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 326

In Senate, March 14, 1917.

*Reported by Mr. Googin from Committee on Insane Hospitals
and ordered printed under joint rules.*

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend Section thirty-four of Chapter one hundred
forty-five of the Revised Statutes relating to temporary leave
of absence of patients from Insane Hospitals.

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

Section thirty-four of Chapter one hundred forty-five of the
2 Revised Statutes of nineteen hundred sixteen is hereby
3 amended by adding thereto the words: "The Superintendent
4 of either hospital with the approval of the Board of Trustees
5 may on receipt of formal application in writing before the
6 date of expiration of such leave of absence grant an exten-

7 sion of time for another six months.' So that said section as
8 amended shall read as follows :

'Sect. 34. The superintendent of either hospital may per-
2 mit any inmate thereof to leave such institution temporarily,
3 in charge of his guardian, relatives, friends, or by himself for
4 a period not exceeding six months, and may receive him when
5 returned by any such guardian, relatives, friends, or upon his
6 own application within such period, without any further or-
7 der of commitment, and the liability of the state, or of any
8 person by bond given for the care, support and treatment of
9 such insane person as originally committed, shall remain in
10 full force and unimpaired upon the return of such person as
11 if he had remained continuously in such hospital. The super-
12 intendent of either hospital with the approval of the Board of
13 Trustees may on receipt of formal application in writing be-
14 fore the date of expiration of such leave of absence grant an
15 extension of time for another six months.'