

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 65

House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1921.

On motion of Mr. Maher of Augusta, was taken from the table, and on further motion by same gentleman, was re-tabled and 500 copies ordered printed.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

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
2 state for the care, treatment, support or education of any
3 person in any charitable or benevolent institution not wholly
4 owned or controlled by the state shall be paid until duly
5 itemized bills, showing the name of the person cared for,
6 the date on which the service was rendered, and the rate

7 charged therefor per day or week, shall have been audited
8 and certified by the state auditor as prescribed by chapter
9 two, section eighty-two, revised statutes, and any act amend-
10 atory thereof.

Sect. 2. No institution which accepts persons for medical
2 or surgical treatment, in any of its departments, for a stated
3 consideration, and whose financial affairs are not wholly
4 under the control of the state, shall receive from the state
5 treasury any appropriation made by the legislature, or any
6 part thereof, until the state auditor shall be satisfied that
7 the per capita per diem charge of such institution for service
8 in such departments is not less than the average cost of
9 such service for the preceding year; but nothing herein
10 shall be construed to prevent the acceptance by any insti-
11 tution of a less sum than the face of any bill, in payment
12 of the same, from any individual judged by the managers
13 to be unable to pay the full amount, nor the performance
14 of a gratuitous service for any individual deemed worthy.

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

Sect. 4. The state auditor shall prescribe and furnish such
2 blank forms as are necessary for rendering the bills desig-
3 nated in section one of this act.

Sect. 5. Chapter one hundred and fourteen public laws
2 of nineteen hundred and nineteen and all acts inconsistent
3 herewith are hereby repealed.