

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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**House Document**

**No. 502**

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H. P. 1438      House of Representatives, February 27, 1929.

Referred to Committee on Public Health and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Littlefield of Farmingdale.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT Relating to Vaccination of Teachers, Employees and  
Pupils in Schools.

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

Section 1. No person shall become a teacher, employee or  
2 pupil in any public, private, parochial or other school in  
3 this state without first having presented to the principal in  
4 charge thereof, or the board of trustees or other proper  
5 authorities having the management or supervision thereof,  
6 a certificate from a licensed and practicing physician of  
7 this state certifying that the said teacher, employee or pupil  
8 has been successfully vaccinated; or in lieu of such certifi-  
9 cate, a certificate certifying a recent vaccination done in

10 a proper manner by a licensed and practicing physician; or  
11 a certificate showing immunity by having had smallpox. If,  
12 in the discretion of the local board of health within whose  
13 jurisdiction such school may be, any person to whom this  
14 requirement applies shall have physical disability which  
15 may contraindicate vaccination, a certificate to that effect  
16 issued by such board of health, setting forth such contra-  
17 indication, may be accepted in lieu of a certificate of vac-  
18 cination, provided however, that said exemption shall not  
19 apply when such disability shall have been removed. Such  
20 certificate relating to a teacher, employee or pupil in public  
21 schools shall be filed with the superintending school com-  
22 mittee of their municipality, and the certificate relating to  
23 a teacher, employee or pupil in any other school shall be  
24 filed with the principal, board of trustees or other authority  
25 having the management or supervision thereof, and there  
26 remain; inspection thereof may be had at all reasonable  
27 times by any health officer, county attorney, city solicitor  
28 or any other officer, whose duty is to enforce the laws, with-  
29 in his jurisdiction. Local boards of health within their  
30 respective jurisdiction and the commissioner of health shall  
31 enforce this section.

Sect. 2. Whoever violates any provision of the preceding  
2 section, or any order or regulation made thereunder, shall be  
3 punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than one  
4 hundred dollars for each offense. Municipal and police

5 courts and trial justices shall have jurisdiction of all of-  
6 fenses under this act.

Sect. 3. Sub-section V of section thirty-eight of chapter  
2 sixteen of the revised statutes as amended is hereby re-  
3 pealed.