

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 733**

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S. P. 505

In Senate, Feb. 20, 1931.

Referred to Committee on Insane Hospitals and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Spear of Cumberland.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT Relating to Duties of Superintendents of Insane  
Hospitals.

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

Section eight of chapter one hundred and fifty-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out after the word "grounds" in the third line thereof, the words "receive all patients" and inserting in place thereof the words 'and in his discretion receive all patients in need of special care and treatment' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 8. Duties and powers of the superintendent; his annual report. The superintendent of each hospital shall be a physician; reside constantly at the hospital; have general superintendence of the hospital and grounds; and in his discretion receive all patients in need of special care and treatment sent to the hospital, unless the number exceeds its accommodations, and have charge of them, and direction of all persons therein, subject to the regulations of the board of trustees; and report to the trustees at the annual meeting the condition and prospects of the institution under his charge, with such remarks and suggestions relative to its management and the general subject of insanity, as he thinks will promote the cause of science and humanity.'