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House of Representatives, Feb. 1, 1933.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed.
Sent up for concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Senator Abbott of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-
THREE

AN ACT to Provide for County Almshouses.

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

Section 1. **County commissioners may provide county almshouses.** The county commissioners in any county shall have authority to acquire in the name of the county by purchase, lease, or otherwise, land and buildings together with household furniture, farming tools, implements, equipment, and live stock, for the purpose of suitably, efficiently and humanely caring for the poor and infirm within the territorial limits of any city or town within the limits of the county. Existing homes used for such dependents in any town within the county may be so acquired or used upon such terms as may agreed upon between the county commissioners on the one hand, and the municipal officers of the town wherein such homes are located, on the other.

Sec. 2. **Cities and towns may contract for care of poor and infirm.** The several cities and towns in any county where an almshouse is provided by the county commissioners may make such arrangement with the county commissioners for the care of the poor and infirm within their territorial limits as may be just and expedient.