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H. P. 1159

House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1933.

Referred to Committee on State Sanatoriums and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Young of York.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

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AN ACT Relating to the Cost of Treatment of Patients at State Sanatoriums.

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

**R. S. c. 156, § 5, amended.** The second sentence of section 5 of chapter 156 of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

‘All patients in the state sanatoriums shall pay to the state the actual cost of such treatment including all board, supplies, and incidentals, **and if any such patient is unable to pay as aforesaid then the father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, children, and grandchildren, by consanguinity, living within the state and of sufficient ability, shall pay such actual cost, recovery of the kindred to be had in the same manner as is provided in the first sentence of section 16 of chapter 33 of the revised statutes;** provided that the trustees of said sanatoriums may, after a proper investigation of the financial circumstances of the patient, either before or after admission, if they find said patient or his or her relatives are unable to pay said costs in whole or in part, waive such cost charge or so much thereof as they deem the circumstances warrant, and provided further that said trustees in granting admissions to said sanatoriums after giving consideration to the need of treatment by and the menace to other persons of, the prospective patient, shall not give preference to any person because of his ability to pay the whole or any part of said cost charge.’