

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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No. 199

S. P. 249

In Senate, January 30, 1935.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs, sent down for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Martin of Penobscot.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
THIRTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT Relating to Bringing Children into the State for Certain Purposes.**

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

**P. L., 1933, c. 1, amended.** Chapter I of the public laws of 1933 is hereby amended by inserting after section 210 the following section to be numbered 210-A:

**'Sec. 210-A. Bringing children into state for certain purposes regulated; permit; penalty.** No person or institution or agency shall bring or cause to be brought into the state, or receive therein, from any other state, province or country, any child for the purpose of placing or boarding, or of procuring the placing or boarding of such child, in a family or home within the state, with a view to adoption, guardianship, custody or care by any person other than one related to him by blood or marriage, without first obtaining a permit therefor from the department. Written application for such permit shall be filed with the department on forms by it prepared, containing such information as the department may require, accompanied by an agreement: (1) that any such child becoming a public charge during his minority shall be removed from the state not later than 30 days after notice from the department; (2) that such child shall be removed from the state immediately upon his release from any penal or reformatory institution or training school to which he has been committed within 3

years of his arrival within the state, for juvenile delinquency or crime; (3) that such child shall be placed or boarded under such agreement as will secure to him a proper home and surroundings, and as will render his custodian responsible for his proper care, education and training, under adequate supervision and subject to annual visitation by an agent; and (4) that such reports relative to the child shall be made to the department as it may require. Violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.'