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House of Representatives, February 12, 1935.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary, sent up for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Phair of Caswell.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

RESOLVE, Relative to Establishing a "County Poor Farm."

Resolved: That, following the enactment of the Old Age Pension Law, each county be granted the right to establish a "County Poor Farm" in lieu of the present "Town Poor Farm", so-called.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Without doubt something must and will be done in the near future about the Old Age Pension. When such law becomes active many persons now on the "Town Poor Farms", so-called, will be directly affected. The compensation received will enable them to leave the "Farm" and live elsewhere. The number left, in many cases, will be so few as to make it impracticable for the municipality to operate its "Farm". This number will be composed, for the most part, of persons for whom it is impossible to find boarding places. They must be cared for in some manner.

It is the purpose of this resolve to make provision for their welfare by granting to each county the right to establish a centrally located "Farm" to care for such unhappy people from every community within the said county; provided the majority of the people in said county deem it advisable.