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## EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 541

H. P. 1334 House of Representatives, February 8, 1939.
Referred to Committee on Pensions and sent up for concurrence. 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Mills of Farmington.

## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT to Provide Local Investigation of Old Age Assistance Applications.

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

- P. & S. L., 1937, c. 105, Title II, § 1, amended. Section 1 of Title II of chapter 105 of the private and special laws of 1937 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 1. Department of health and welfare to administer old age assistance. The department of health and welfare shall administer the carrying out and enforcement of the provisions of law relating to old age assistance. The investigation of all applications for old age assistance shall be performed under the supervision of the department by the overseers of the poor in the town or city in which the applicant resided at the time he made his application. Applications of residents of plantations and unorganized townships shall be investigated by the overseers of the poor of the largest adjacent town or if there is no adjacent town, the nearest town. It has department is hereby empowered to employ such assistants as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, subject to the approval of the governor and council, and to coordinate their work with that of the other social welfare work of the department.'