

# NINETIETH LEGISLATURE

## **Legislative Document**

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No. 667

S. P. 351 In Senate, February 11, 1941. Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary. Presented by Senator Farris of Kennebec.

## STATE OF MAINE

#### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-ONE

### AN ACT Relating to Commitment of Feeble-minded Juvenile Delinquents.

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

**P. L., 1933, c. 1, § 451, amended.** Section 451 of chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933, as amended by chapter 155 of the public laws of 1939, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 451.** Judges of probate and municipal courts may commit. Whenever it is made to appear, upon application to the judge of probate for any county or to the judge of any municipal court within its jurisdiction and after due notice and hearing, that any person resident in said county, or any inmate of the state school for girls, the state school for boys, the reformatory for men, the reformatory for women, the military and naval children's home, or any person supported by any town, is a fit subject for the Pownal state school, such judge may commit such person to said school by an order of commitment directed to the department accompanied by a certificate of 2 physicians who are graduates of some legally organized medical college and have practiced 3 years in this state, that such a person is a proper subject for said institution; provided no such order of commitment shall issue until an application for admission of such person has first been made to the department which shall be placed on file at the institution and evidence thereof presented to the such judge of probate, accompanied by a certificate of the superintendent, stating, in substance, that such person will be received under the provisions of section 453, when properly committed. Whenever, upon such application, there is occasion for the judge of probate to attend a hearing on days other than days fixed as the regular day for holding the probate court, said judge of probate shall be allowed \$5 per day for his services and expenses, which shall be paid by the county treasurer upon the certificate of the county commissioners.'