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NINETY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 844 House of Representatives, February 7, 1945.
Referred to Committee on Public Health, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Springer of Danforth.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Provide for the Making of a Survey of all Hospital and Health Center Facilities in the State.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, amended. Chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following sections to be numbered 25-A and 25-B:

'Sec. 25-A. Hospital survey. The department of health and welfare shall make a survey of the location, size and character of all existing public and private hospitals and health centers in the state; evaluate the sufficiency of such hospitals and health centers to supply the necessary physical facilities for furnishing adequate hospital, clinic and similar services to all the people of the state; compile such data and conclusions, together with a statement of the additional facilities necessary, in conjunction with existing structures, to supply such services; and, utilize, so far as practicable, any appropriate reports, surveys, and plans prepared by other state agencies.'

'Sec. 25-B. Authority to accept federal or other funds. The department shall have authority to accept the provisions of any federal law now in effect or hereafter enacted which makes federal funds available for public health services of all kinds including the construction of hospitals

and health centers and to meet such federal requirements with respect to the administration of such funds as are required as conditions precedent to receiving federal funds. The department, subject to the approval of the governor and council, shall also have authority to accept funds from other sources for the same purposes.'