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## NINETY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

# Legislative Document

No. 835

S. P. 315 In Senate, February 14, 1945.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary in concurrence and ordered printed.
ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Currier of Androscoggin.

#### STATE OF MAINE

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

RESOLVE, to Create a Special Joint Committee of Inquiry to Investigate Baby Homes, Nursing Homes, Old Age Homes and Boarding Homes of Children, Invalids and Aged.

Committee appointed. Resolved: That a special committee be appointed consisting of 2 members from the senate and 3 members from the house of representatives to be nominated respectively by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house; and be it further

Powers of committee. Resolved: That this committee be empowered to investigate conditions and enforcement of existing laws and regulations in any children's home, nursing home, babies' home, old age home, or boarding homes or houses where babies, children, invalids or aged under supervision of any department of the state reside or are boarded; giving particular attention to the housing, care and treatment given those under the care of any state department; and be it further

Investigation. Resolved: That said committee be empowered to subpoena witnesses and pursue any line of investigation they might see fit; and be it further

Report of committee. Resolved: That said committee make a complete public report of its findings to the legislature with any corrective recommendation for legislative action; and be it further

**Compensation. Resolved:** That each member of the committee shall receive \$5 per day while carrying out the purposes of this resolve, and all necessary expenses.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS

It is necessary to determine the conditions of all homes boarding and caring for the aged, invalids and children, so that conditions may be improved to save lives.