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In Senate, February 12, 1947

Referred to the Committee on Claims, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Crosby of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, in Favor of the Town of New Sharon.

Town of New Sharon; reimbursed. Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated in favor of the town of New Sharon, the sum of \$329.59, to reimburse said town for supplies furnished Norman K. Wilson, his wife, Leona Harris Wilson, and their child, Alvoid Cecil Wilson, state paupers, said sum to be paid from the general fund of the state.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Said Norman K. Wilson was born in Freeport on April 6, 1918. His mother's name was Sarah Goldrup Wilson, the wife of Elmer A. Wilson. Norman K. Wilson was committed to the custody of the state on September 11, 1920 at Portland, Maine; his father, Elmer A. Wilson, was supposed to have a pauper settlement in the town of Harpswell by derivation from his father, Elmer L. Wilson. Sarah Goldrup Wilson and Elmer A. Wilson were married on June 26, 1916 at Lewiston, Maine, and lived in Lewiston as man and wife until the said Sarah Goldrup Wilson left her husband about the first of September, 1916, and she went to Freeport, Maine to live; and the said Elmer A. Wilson never saw her or had any intercourse with her after the middle of August, 1916.

The said Elmer A. Wilson lived in Lewiston until the latter part of October, 1917, when he left for Lowell, Massachusetts, later to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, then to Buffalo, New York, in December, 1919; then to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, staying in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania from December, 1919, until the Spring of 1930.

Elmer A. Wilson never knew or heard of his alleged son, Norman K. Wilson, until the Spring of 1938; in fact, he never knew that a person of that name was in existence.

That the said Norman K. Wilson and his wife and child take the settlement of his father, Elmer A. Wilson; that in 1937 the legislature by chapter 133 of the private and special laws passed a resolve reimbursing the town of Harpswell for the support of Elmer Wilson, a state pauper, this being the same Elmer A. Wilson, the father of said Norman K. Wilson.

Consequently the town of New Sharon should be reimbursed by the state, said town of New Sharon has spent a lot of money in tracing this settlement through; that an action against the town of Harpswell, Maine, is now pending in the Superior Court, Franklin County, but the facts indicate that this is a state case instead of Harpswell and that the state should pay this bill.