

NINETY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk. Presented by Mr. Judkins of Woodstock by request.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Expense of Patients in Mental Hospitals.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 23, § 140, amended. Section 140 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new paragraph:

. 'In the event the patient, or relatives liable by law for his or her support are found unable to pay for his or her support after proper investigation of the financial circumstances by the department, the city or town or plantation in which the patient has settlement shall pay to the department for the care and support of the patient at a weekly rate to be established by the department for so long as the patient remains therein. Patients committed by the courts for observation shall be exempted from the above provision.'