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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary. Presented by Senator Clough of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to General Public Health Nursing Service.

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

R. S., c. 80, § 109, amended. Section 109 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 2 new paragraphs to read as follows:

In any municipality with a population in excess of 6,000 (latest U. S. census) which now employs or may hereafter employ a nurse for each 6,000 persons who are residents of such municipality, the department may contribute to such municipality $\frac{1}{2}$ the salary of any nurse or nurses employed by such municipality in excess of one for each 6,000.

Provided, however, that in order to qualify for such contribution by the state, any municipality shall so organize its health work as to carry on a program consistent with generally accepted practice, and approved by the department of health and welfare. The department of health and welfare, through its division of public health nursing, shall have authority to examine into the conduct of the programs established under the above and make recommendations to any such municipality as to the needs or procedures connected therewith. All nurses employed in accordance with the provisions of this section shall meet the qualifications and requirements of the department of health and welfare.'