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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Bowker of Portland.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-SEVEN

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### **AN ACT Relating to the State School for Boys.**

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

**R. S., c. 23, § 75, amended.** Section 75 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 75. Commitments to the school, and to alternative punishment; deaf and dumb, non compos, or insane not to be sent; records.** When a boy between the ages of ~~14~~ 9 and 17 years is convicted before any court or trial justice having jurisdiction of the offense, of an offense punishable by imprisonment in the state prison, not for life, or in the county jail, or in the house of correction, such court or justice may order his commitment to the state school for boys or sentence him to the punishment provided by law for the same offense. If to such school, the commitment shall be conditioned that if such boy is not received or kept there for the full term of his minority, unless sooner discharged by the department as provided in section 78, or released on probation as provided in section 80, he shall then suffer the punishment provided by law, as aforesaid, as ordered by the court or justice; but no boy shall be committed to said school who is deaf and dumb, non compos, or insane. The record in the event of conviction in all such cases shall be that the accused was convicted of juvenile delin-

quency, and the court shall have power at the hearing of any such case to exclude the general public other than persons having a direct interest in the case. The records of any such case by order of the court may be withheld from indiscriminate public inspection, but such records shall be open to inspection by the parent or parents of such child or lawful guardian or attorney of the child involved.'