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NINETY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, April 18, 1947.

Reported by Senator Leavitt of Cumberland from Committee on Public Health and printed under joint rules No. 10.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Control of Tuberculosis.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 50-A, repealed and replaced. Section 50-A of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, as enacted by chapter 341 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 50-A. Certain certificate to be filed with superintending school committee. On or before December 1, 1947, and biennially thereafter, except that for those persons in whom the disease is arrested the examination shall be annually, all superintendents of schools, supervisors, teachers, school nurses, janitors, school bus drivers, and persons employed in the preparation of school lunches shall file with the superintending school committee a certificate that such employee has had a chest x-ray performed and interpreted by persons recognized as skilled and experienced in such performance and interpretation. No person whose x-ray examination shows active tuberculosis shall be employed in any school or continued in employment while having such active disease. So far as practicable the existing state facilities, including the state sanatoria, shall be made available to such employees for such x-rays. The cost of such examination shall be borne by the employee. If done by the state, there shall be no charge for

the service except for the actual cost of materials used. Said certificates shall be kept on file in the office of the superintendent of schools or in the office of the head of the private school. The provisions of this section shall apply to both public and private schools and to all grades common to the public school system.'