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In Senate, February 18, 1953

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Butler of Franklin

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Promotion of Medical Education.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 61, § 13, amended.** The last sentence of section 13 of chapter 61 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

‘Subject to the provisions of sections 10 to 17, it shall be lawful for the University of Maine, Colby College, Bates College and Bowdoin College **or any recognized medical school in New England** to receive such bodies for the promotion of medical education, which shall be construed to include nursing training and pre-medical education.’

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 61, § 15, amended.** Section 15 of chapter 61 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

‘**Sec. 15. School or persons receiving bodies to give bond for proper disposal; trafficking in dead bodies outside of state.** No school, college, university, **or any recognized medical school in New England**, physician or surgeon shall be allowed or permitted to receive any such body or bodies until a bond shall be given to the treasurer of state by such physician or surgeon, or by and in behalf of such school, college, ~~or~~ university **or any recognized medical school in New England**, to be approved by a justice of a court of record in and for the county in which said physician or surgeon

resides, or in which such school, college, ~~or~~ university **or any recognized medical school in New England** is situated; such bond shall be in the penal sum of \$1,000, conditioned that all such bodies, which the said physician or surgeon or the said school, college, ~~or~~ university **or any recognized medical school in New England** shall receive thereafter, shall be used only for the promotion within the state of medical education, which shall be construed to include nursing training and premedical education, and when no longer needed for such educational purposes shall be decently buried; said bond shall be examined annually in the month of December, by the treasurer of state, and he shall certify in writing upon each bond in his possession his approval of the same; in case any bond is not approved by him, he shall immediately notify the party giving the same, who shall forthwith file a new bond as hereinbefore provided; whosoever shall sell or buy such body or bodies, or in any way traffic in the same, or shall transmit or convey such body or bodies to any place outside of the state, or cause the same to be done, **except as provided in section 13**, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$200, or by imprisonment for not more than 11 months.'