

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## NINETY - EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 235

S. P. 105

In Senate, January 29, 1957.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Lord of Cumberland.

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### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

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#### AN ACT Relating to Charges for Treatment for Patients in State Sanatoriums.

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

**R. S., c. 25, § 105-D, amended.** The first paragraph of section 105-D of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section one of chapter 437 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

~~Residents of the State may be admitted to these sanatoriums, if found by any regular practising physician in the State or by the Superintendent of any one of the sanatoriums to be suffering from tuberculosis. Patients may be admitted to these sanatoriums upon application to the Department of Health and Welfare, if found to be suffering from tuberculosis or if suspected of having tuberculosis. All patients in said sanatoriums, or relatives liable by law for their support the parents of minor children or the spouse, shall pay to the State for treatment, including board, supplies, and incidentals necessary to the prescribed medical and surgical treatment both for in-patient and out-patient services, the amount determined by the Department; provided that the Department may, after proper investigation of the financial circumstances of the patient, or relatives liable by law for his or her support if it finds that such patient or relatives liable by law are unable to pay the amount determined as above, in whole or in part, waive such payment or so much thereof as the circumstances appear to warrant; provided further, that if such patient or relatives are unable to pay, the city, town or plantation in which the patient has a settlement, if any, shall pay to the institution the sum of \$2 per week so long as the patient remains therein'~~