

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 597

In Senate, May 23, 1957

Received by unanimous consent. Under suspension of rules, read twice and passed to be engrossed without reference to a committee. Sent down for concurrence.

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 Changing Name of Maine School for the Deaf to Governor Baxter  
State School for the Deaf.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 27, § 159, amended.** Section 159 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'**Sec. 159. Purpose.** ~~Maine~~ **Governor Baxter State** School for the Deaf, established by chapter 446 of the private and special laws of 1897, is to be devoted to the education and instruction of deaf and dumb children.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 27, § 163, amended.** Section 163 of chapter 27 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'**Sec. 163. Deaf and dumb children between ages of 6 and 18 to be sent to Governor Baxter State School for the Deaf.** Every parent, guardian or other person having control of any mentally normal child between 6 and 18 years of age, too deaf or too dumb to be materially benefited by the methods of instruction in vogue in the public schools, unless it can be shown that the child is receiving regular instruction during the same period in studies usually taught in the public schools, shall be required to send such child or youth to the ~~Maine~~ **Governor Baxter State** School for the Deaf during the scholastic year of that school. Such child or youth shall attend such school, year after year, until discharged by the Superintendent upon approval of the Department.'