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ACTS AND RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

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STATE OF MAINE,

1848.

Chapter 79.

CHAP. 79.

An act additional to "an act to modify and revise all acts for the government of the insane hospital and for other purposes," approved August second, eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECT. 1. Any person or corporation entitled to appeal from a decision of any mayor and aldermen or selectmen, upon an application to send an insane person to the hospital, as provided in the act to which this is additional, may make application for such appeal within five days after such decision is made known, and the proceedings thereon shall be conducted as provided in said act.

Applications for appeal from the decisions of any mayor and aldermen or selectmen, to be made within five days.

SECT. 2. If the mayor and aldermen of any city, or the selectmen of any town shall refuse or neglect to inquire and decide within three days after notice, as provided in the eighth section of the act to which this is additional, on any case of insanity now existing, or which may hereafter exist in their respective cities or towns, or if the justices to whom any appeal shall be made, shall not decide upon such appeal within three days from the time appointed for the hearing thereon, then, in either case, complaint may be made to two justices and proceedings thereon shall be had as provided in the tenth section of said act.

When application may be made to two justices to decide on any case of insanity.

SECT. 3. The authority given by said act to the judge of any court to order any person charged with a criminal offense, and alleged to be insane, into the custody of the superintendent of the insane hospital, may be exercised in case of any such person, who is committed to jail by any justice of the peace or judge of a municipal or police court, on such a charge, as well as in case of any such person, who is committed to answer to an indictment found; and such authority may be exercised in vacation or in term time at the discretion of the court.

Authority of judges to commit certain persons alleged to be insane, to the hospital.

[Approved August 10, 1848.]