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# ACTS AND RESOLVES

OF THE

## SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

OF THE

## STATE OF MAINE

1897

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**Chapter 231.**

An Act to amend Section nineteen of Chapter one hundred and forty-two of the Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Industrial School for Girls.

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

Section 19,  
chapter 142,  
R. S.,  
amended.

Section nineteen of chapter one hundred and forty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "seven" in the first line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word 'six,' and also by striking out the word "fifteen" in the second line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word 'sixteen,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

Applica-  
tion to the  
probate  
judge or to  
a magis-  
trate, for  
commit-  
ment of idle  
or vicious  
girls.

'Section 19. A parent or guardian of any girl between the ages of six and sixteen years, the municipal officers, or any three respectable inhabitants of any city or town, where she may be found, may complain in writing to the judge of probate or any trial justice in the county, or to the judge of the municipal or police court for such city or town, alleging that she is leading an idle or vicious life, or has been found in circumstances of manifest danger of falling into habits of vice or immorality, and request that she may be committed to the guardianship of the Maine Industrial School for Girls. The judge or justice shall appoint a time and place of hearing, and order notice thereof to all persons entitled to be heard, and at such time and place, may examine into the truth of said allegations, and if satisfactory evidence thereof is adduced, and it appears that the welfare of such girl requires it, he may order her to be committed to the custody and guardianship of the officers of said school during her minority, unless sooner discharged by process of law.'

—notice  
and hear-  
ing.

Approved March 17, 1897.