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Chapter 129.

An Act to Amend Section Three of Chapter One Hundred and Forty-four of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter One Hundred and Thirty of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen and by Chapter Fifty-eight of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen and by Chapter Two Hundred and Forty-five of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, Relating to the Age of Commitment to the State School for Boys.

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

R. S., c. 144, § 3; 1917, c. 130; 1919, c. 58 and 245; relating to commitment to state school for boys, amended. Section three of chapter one hundred and forty-four of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter one hundred thirty of the public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen and by chapter fifty-eight of the public laws of nineteen hundred nineteen, and as further amended by chapter two hundred and forty-five of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen is hereby amended by striking out the words "eight and sixteen" in the second line thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'eleven and seventeen' so that said section shall read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Age limits changed from "eight to sixteen" to eleven and seventeen. When a boy between ages of eleven and seventeen years is convicted before any court or trial justice having jurisdiction of the offense, of an offense punishable by imprisonment in the state prison, not for life, or in the county jail, or in the house of correction, such court or justice may order his commitment to the state school for boys or sentence him to the punishment provided by law for the same offense. If to such school, the commitment shall be conditioned that if such boy is not received or kept there for the full term of his minority, unless sooner discharged by the trustees as provided in section six, or released on probation as provided in section nine, he shall then suffer the punishment provided by law, as aforesaid, as ordered by the court or justice; but no boy shall be committed to said school who is deaf and dumb, non compos or insane. The record in the event of conviction in all such cases shall be that the accused was convicted of juvenile delinquency, and the court shall have power at the hearing of any such case to exclude the general public other than persons having a direct interest in the case. The records of any such case by order of the court may be withheld from indiscriminate public inspection, but such records shall be open to inspection by the parent or parents of such child or lawful guardian or attorney of the child involved.'

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