

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

As Passed by the Eighty-Eighth Legislature

1937

Chapter 139

AN ACT to Provide for Services for Crippled Children.

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

Sec. 1. Purposes of the act. The department of health and welfare, through its bureau of health, is hereby authorized to administer a program of services for children who are crippled or who are suffering from conditions which lead to crippling, and to supervise the administration of those services included in the program which are not administered directly by it. The purpose of such included program shall be to develop, extend, and improve services for locating such children and for providing for medical, surgical, corrective, and other services and care, and for facilities for diagnosis, hospitalization, and aftercare. Provided, however, that nothing in this act shall be construed as authorizing any public official, agent or representative, in carrying out the provisions of this chapter, to take charge of any child over the objection of either the father or the mother of such child, or of the person standing in loco parentis to such child, except pursuant to a proper court order.

Sec. 2. Acceptance of provisions of federal law. The department is hereby authorized to

(a) Apply for federal aid under the provisions of Title V of the Federal Social Security Act (Public No. 271, 74th Congress);

(b) Cooperate with the federal government through the Children's Bureau in matters of mutual concern pertaining to services for crippled children, including such methods of administration as are found to be necessary for the efficient operation of the plan for such aid;

(c) Make such reports in such form and containing such information as the secretary of labor may require, and comply with such provisions as said secretary may find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports.

Sec. 3. Federal grants. The treasurer of state shall be the appropriate fiscal officer of the state to receive federal grants on account of services for crippled children and administration thereof, as contemplated by Title V of the Federal Social Security Act, and the state controller shall authorize expenditures therefrom as approved by the department of health and welfare.

Approved April 9, 1937.