

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**ACTS AND RESOLVES**  
AS PASSED BY THE  
**Ninety-second and Ninety-third**  
**Legislatures**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

**From April 22, 1945 to May 14, 1947**  
**AND MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS**  
**From May 25, 1945 to May 14, 1947**

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Published by the Revisor of Statutes in accordance  
with Chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes of 1944.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

As Passed by the Ninety-third Legislature

**1947**

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Sec. 2. R. S., c. 10, repealed. Chapter 10 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. Present research committee continued. The first legislative research committee under the provisions of this act shall be the legislative research committee appointed at the regular session of the 93rd legislature and serving as such on the effective date of this act.

Effective August 13, 1947

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## Chapter 393

### AN ACT Relating to Adoption of Neglected Children.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 239-A, additional. Chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered section 239-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 239-A. Provisions for the adoption of children committed to the state. The department of health and welfare shall be diligent in seeking opportunities to have children who have been committed to its custody placed with the proper persons for adoption. No child shall be placed for adoption for a period of 6 months next following commitment. During said period of 6 months, or longer if deemed advisable, the department shall note the physical and mental condition of the child. At the end of said period if it appears to the department that the physical and mental condition of the child is normal, the department may place said child for adoption with any of the classes of persons described in section 35 of chapter 145. The department shall not give its consent to the adoption of a child until said child has been for 1 year in the home of the person or persons desirous of adopting said child.'

Effective August 13, 1947

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## Chapter 394

### AN ACT Relating to Old Age Assistance.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 257, amended. Section 257 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows: