

## ACTS, RESOLVES AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS

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### § 889. Liability limited

The financial liability of the State, county, city, town or other political subdivision under a deferred compensation program shall be limited in each instance to the payment of premiums for the purchase of fixed or variable life insurance or annuity contracts and the purchase of investment company shares under the deferred compensation program while the enrollee remains an employee of the State, county, city, town or other political subdivision enrolled in the program, and only to the amount of the compensation or portion of compensation held for payment of said premiums or investment company shares.

Effective October 3, 1973

## CHAPTER 492

AN ACT to Repeal the Minimum Age for Hospitalization of Mentally Ill Persons.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 34, § 2290, amended. The first sentence of section 2290 of Title 34 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 10 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

Any person 16 years of age or over, having no criminal action pending against him, desiring admission to a hospital for the mentally ill, other than a private hospital, for care and treatment of a mental illness, may be admitted, subject, except in case of medical emergency, to the availability of suitable accommodations, as a patient without making formal application therefor, although standard hospital information may be elicited, if, after examination, the head of the hospital deems such person suitable for such admission, care and treatment. Any person 16 years of age or under must have the consent of his parent or guardian and the Commissioner of Mental Health and Corrections.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 34, § 2291, amended. Section 2291 of Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

### § 2291. Authority to receive voluntary patients

The head of a private hospital may, and the head of a public hospital, subject, except in case of medical emergency, to the availability of suitable accommodations, may admit for observation, diagnosis, care and treatment any individual who is mentally ill or has symptoms of mental illness and who being 16 years of age or over applies therefor, exclusive of those persons with pending criminal action. Any person 16 years of age or under must have the consent of his parent or guardian and the Commissioner of Mental Health and Corrections.

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