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Description: An act to authorize the governor of Maine to accept female nurses in the army.

STATE OF MAINE IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT

To authorize the governor to accept the services of females as nurses in the army.

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

Section 1. The governor is hereby authorized and empowered to accept the services of females: to act as nurses ["as nurses" is crossed out in original document] under the direction of the army surgeons. as nurses for our sick and wounded soldiers mustered into the service of the United States from this State, and to make such provision for their comfort and support while so employed, as in his judgement shall be just and expedient.

Section 2. This act shall take effect on its approval by the governor.

Hse. of Reps Apr. 24 1861
Read three times and proposed to be approved [missing word].
Charles A. Miller, clerk

In Senate, April 24, 1861 Read twice and passed to be engrossed in concur rence.

James M. Lincolnn Secretary