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## ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST LEGISLATURE

# Legislative Document

No. 440

S. P. 164 In Senate, January 17, 1963
Referred to Committee on Towns and Counties. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Ferguson of Oxford.

#### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE

# AN ACT Providing County Funds for Insurance for Firemen.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment; and

Whereas, fire protection is essential to the welfare of the people of the State of Maine; and

Whereas, to provide for such protection, it is vitally necessary that those who give such protection should themselves be protected by accident and disability insurance; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., c. 89, § 15-D, additional. Chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 15-D, to read as follows:

'Sec. 15-D. Insurance for firemen. Any county may expend county funds to be accounted for as other moneys of the county for the purchase of accident and disability insurance on a county-wide basis, protecting all persons, whether voluntary or full time, and whether paid or unpaid, while acting as firemen for any fire department within the county, whether such fire department be a municipal or an independent department.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.