

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1138**

H. P. 923

House of Representatives, March 12, 1979

Referred to the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Theriault of Rumford.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-NINE

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**AN ACT to Revise the Qualifications for Burial in the Veterans Memorial Cemetery.**

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

**37-A MRSA § 19, first sentence**, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 580, § 1, is amended to read:

Any person who served on active duty in the United States Armed Forces during any federally recognized period of conflict, including the Korean Campaign and the Viet Nam War, or was eligible for Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal or campaign medal and, who, if discharged, ~~received an honorable discharge~~ **was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable**, may be buried in this cemetery without charge, if he, while a resident of Maine, entered service or was at the time of his death or of the death of one of his eligible dependents, a resident of Maine.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill revised the qualifications a veteran must have in order to be buried in the Veterans Memorial Cemetery. The new qualifications parallel the Federal Veterans Administration regulations.