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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
112TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 94, L.D. 292,
Bill, "AN ACT Concerning Minimum Ordinary Death Bene-
fits."

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Amend the bill by striking out everything after
the enacting clause and inserting in its place the
following:

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'Sec. 1. 4 MRSA §1357, sub-§1, as enacted by PL
1983, c. 853, Pt. C, §§15 and 18, is amended to
read:

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1. Normal method of payment. All regular re-
tirement allowances shall be paid for life in equal
monthly installments, adjusted in the month which the
death occurs to reflect the date of death, unless an
alternative method of payment under one of the op-
tions of subsection 2 has been elected.

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Upon the death of a former member who was in service
as a judge prior to December 1, 1984, and who is 50
years of age or older on that date and who is the re-
cipient of a retirement allowance under the normal
method of payment, the surviving spouse who is the
named beneficiary at the date of retirement shall be-
come entitled to 1/2 of the amount being paid at the
time of his death which payment shall continue for
the remainder of his lifetime.

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Upon the death of a former member who was in service
as a judge prior to December 1, 1984, and who is 50
years of age or older on that date and who becomes
the recipient of a disability retirement allowance,
his surviving spouse who is the named beneficiary
shall become entitled to 1/2 the amount that he would
have been entitled to as a service retirement allow-
ance under the normal method of payment as of the

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1 date of his death.

2 Sec. 2. Application. This Act shall be applied
 3 retroactively to any former member of the Maine Ju-
 4 dicial Retirement System who is retired, to whom this
 5 section would have been applicable, and who is living
 6 on the effective date of this Act. Any member who,
 7 at the time he retired elected an optional retirement
 8 allowance, may elect to change his selection to pro-
 9 vide a retirement allowance under the normal method
 10 of payment. This shall entitle his surviving spouse
 11 who is the named beneficiary at the date of retire-
 12 ment to a retirement allowance which shall be equal
 13 to 1/2 of the amount being paid at the time of his
 14 death and which payment shall continue for the re-
 15 mainder of the surviving spouse's lifetime. The sur-
 16 viving spouse of any such former member who has died
 17 before the effective date of this Act shall be enti-
 18 tled to make that selection.

19 Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds are
 20 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the
 21 purposes of this Act.

	<u>1985-86</u>	<u>1986-87</u>
23 <u>MAINE STATE RETIREMENT</u>		
24 <u>SYSTEM</u>		
25 Maine Judicial Retirement		
26 System		
27 All Other	\$194,411	\$259,214

28 STATEMENT OF FACT

29 This amendment replaces the original bill and
 30 provides pensions for surviving spouses of judges
 31 over the age of 50 years.

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