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EIGHTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, Feb. 10, 1931.

Reported by Senator Crockett of York from Committee on Education and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Crockett of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THIRTY-ONE

RESOLVE, in Favor of Nellie F. Hill of Saco for Teacher's
Pension.

Resolved: That there be allowed and paid, out of the appropriation for teachers' pensions, to Nellie F. Hill of Saco, in the county of York, the sum of five hundred dollars per annum, during the lifetime of the said Hill, the sum to be paid in quarterly installments.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Nellie F. Hill, of Saco, has been a teacher in the City of Saco for 41 2-3 years, three years in the Saco High School, two-thirds of a year in a graded school, and thirty-eight years in Thornton Academy. The City of Saco now has no high school, and by contract between the city government and the Trustees of Thornton Academy, Saco students desiring a high school education are educated at Thornton Academy, the tuition being paid by the City of Saco. All of the students at Thornton Academy, with a very few exceptions, are Saco students. Miss Hill has now reached the age where she wishes to retire, and like most teachers, she has been unable to save enough from her salary to enable her to live comfortably. According to the general pension law, a school must derive three-fifths of its income from public funds and be under public management and control in order for its teachers to be eligible for pension. Thornton Academy derives more than three-fifths of its income from public funds, but is not under public management and control within the meaning of the statute. Therefore this teacher, who has a long record of teaching public school students, is unable to obtain a pension. It has been the custom in such cases to correct this injustice by special legislation, and this resolve is presented for that purpose.