

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NINETY - SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1554

S. P. 629

In Senate, September 21, 1954

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Kavanagh of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FOUR

AN ACT Relating to Elderly Teachers' Pensions.

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

Sec. 1. Teachers who may be entitled to an annual pension of \$1,000. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any person of either sex who, on the 30th day of September, 1913, or thereafter, shall have reached the age of 60 years and who for 35 years shall have been engaged in teaching as his principal occupation, and who shall have been employed as a teacher or teacher and supervisor in the public schools, or in such other schools within this state as are supported wholly or at least $\frac{3}{5}$ by state or town appropriation and are under public management and control, 20 years of which employment, including the 15 years immediately preceding retirement, shall have been in this state, and who shall be retired by his employer or shall voluntarily retire from active service after completion of the school year next preceding the 30th day of September, 1913, shall, on his formal application, receive from the state for the remainder of his life an annual pension of \$1,000; provided, however, that after the 30th day of September, 1913, no such employment as teacher within this state shall be included in its provisions unless the teacher shall hold a state teacher's certificate issued under the authority of the commissioner of education.

Sec. 2. Teachers who may receive an annual pension of \$900. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any person of either sex who, on the 30th day of September, 1913, or thereafter, shall have reached the age of 60 years and who for 30 years shall have been engaged in teaching as his principal occupation and who shall have in all other respects met the requirements of the preceding section shall, on his formal application, receive from the state for the remainder of his life an annual pension of \$900.

Sec. 3. Teachers who may receive an annual pension of \$800. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any person of either sex who, on the 30th day of September, 1913, or thereafter, shall have reached the age of 60 years and who for 25 years shall have been engaged in teaching as his principal occupation, and who shall have in all other respects met the requirements of section 1 shall, on his formal application, receive from the state for the remainder of his life an annual pension of \$800.

Sec. 4. Repealing and amending clause. All acts and resolves or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or amended to conform to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 5. Effective date. The provisions of this act shall become effective January 3, 1955.