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House of Representatives, January 13, 1955.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Bibber of Kennebunkport.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Eligibility for Aid for Veterans and Their Dependents.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 26, § 10, sub-§ II, amended. Subsection II of section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'II. The term "child" shall be construed to mean a child under the age of 16, or over age 16 and under age 18 if found by the Division to be regularly attending school, or over 16 and not attending school if, prior to reaching age 16, the child becomes or has become permanently incapable of self-support by reason of mental or physical defect, and shall include a **foster child**, a legitimate or legally adopted child of the veteran, or a stepchild if a member of the veteran's household either at time of application, or in the event of the veteran's death, at time of death, and who continues a member of the household, or an illegitimate child, provided that the veteran has been judicially ordered or decreed by the court to contribute to the child's support, or has been judicially decreed to be the putative father or has acknowledged under oath in writing that he is the father of such child.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 26, § 10, sub-§ III, amended. Subsection III of section 10 of chapter 26 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'III. The term "parent" shall mean the father or mother of a veteran with whom the veteran lived during his minority and for whom he would be legally responsible under the laws of the State; or the **foster father or mother of a veteran.**'