

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FORTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 49.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX.

AN ACT authorizing pensions for disabled soldiers and seamen.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECTION 1. Any person who has served in the army
2 or navy of the United States, in the "war of 1861,"
3 on the quota of Maine, and who has been disabled by
4 wounds or other injury received in said service and in
5 the line of duty, shall be entitled to a pension from
6 the State of Maine, not exceeding eight dollars (\$8)
7 per month.

SECT. 2. The widow during widowhood, orphan
2 child or children under twelve years of age, of any

3 soldier or seaman deceased from injury or disease con-
4 tracted in the service while in the line of duty, shall
5 be entitled to the same pension as is provided in sec-
6 tion first of this act, *provided* that no more than eight
7 dollars per month be paid to one family.

SECT. 3. Any person or persons described in section
2 first and second, who are not residents of Maine, or
3 who by the pension received from the United States,
4 their own labor and resources, are able to obtain a
5 livelihood for themselves and those dependent on them,
6 shall not be entitled to the benefits of this act.

SECT. 4. All applications shall be made to the
2 governor and council, who shall regulate the proof
3 required to entitle applicants to the benefits of this
4 act, and issue certificates therefor.

SECT. 5. Upon the issue of said certificate, the
2 treasurer of the city, town or plantation, where the
3 pensioner resides, shall be notified thereof, and the
4 said treasurer shall pay quarterly from the treasury
5 of said city, town or plantation, to the pensioner, the
6 amount specified and for the time specified in said
7 certificate, take vouchers therefor, and the same shall
8 be reimbursed to the said treasurer from the treasury
9 of the state on application.

SECT. 6. The necessary blanks shall be issued by

2 the secretary of state to the clerks of cities, towns and
3 plantations, and the expenses incurred in printing and
4 distribution shall be paid from the treasury of the
5 state.

STATE OF MAINE.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
February 13, 1866. }

Reported by Mr. HERSEY, from Committee on Military Affairs.

F. M. DREW, *Clerk.*