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### ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 268

S. P. 123 In Senate, January 12, 1961. Referred to Committee on Retirements and Pensions. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Lord of Cumberland.

#### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

RESOLVE, to Provide a Retirement Benefit for Doris E. Bourgeois, of Portland.

Retirement benefit for Doris E. Bourgeois. Resolved: That a monthly retirement benefit be granted to Doris E. Bourgeois of Portland in the amount of \$80, under the Revised Statutes, chapter 63-A, effective as of January 1, 1960.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

This teacher had approximately 22½ years of service when, in the spring of 1956, she had to separate from active duty on account of an acute eye condition. Her disability has steadily increased to the point where now she is almost totally blind.

Under the regular provisions of the law she would not be entitled to a retirement benefit until attaining age 60 in August of 1971 — (10-year vested).

Owing to the exact provisions of the law, she could not apply for disability benefits following her separation from teaching service in 1956.

She obviously needs some type of benefit now; thence the reason for introducing this resolve.