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### ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 777

S. P. 260 In Senate, January 25, 1961 Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Couture of Androscoggin.

#### STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Retirement Benefits for Members of the Lewiston Fire Department.

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

P. & S. L., 1939, c. 8, Art. XII, § 10, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 10 of Article XII of chapter 8 of the private and special laws of 1939, as enacted by chapter 200 of of the private and special laws of 1955, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'The death of any member of the department, whether his status be active or retired, resulting from injuring or illness incurred in the line of duty, shall entitle the hereinafter described beneficiaries to pension benefits. If an active member so meets his death, the pension benefits payable as a result thereof shall be the continued payment of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the salary he was then receiving. If a retired member so meets his death, the pension benefits payable as a result thereof shall be the continued payment of the full pension he was then receiving. In either event, such benefits shall be paid to his widow until her death or remarriage. Upon the happening of either contingency, such benefits shall cease unless a child of such member be then under the age of 18 years, in which case such child's guardian shall be paid such benefits in such child's behalf, until such child's 18th birthday. If, upon the termination of the widow's interest, there be more than one such child under the age of 18 years, such benefits shall then be divided equally among said children, but paid to their respective guardians in their behalf. As each such child attains its 18th birthday, or upon its prior death, the share it was receiving shall be divided equally among the then remaining younger children, but paid to their guardians as aforesaid, until no children under said age remain. If any such member is not survived by a widow, such benefits shall be paid to the benefit of his surviving child or children under the age of 18 years, all in manner as aforesaid.'