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HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
AND SEVENTY

AN ACT Relating to Retirement Allowance for Widows of Governors.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the people of the State of Maine owe a considerable debt to the former first ladies of the State who have performed considerable exemplary public service without compensation and should be entitled to a retirement allowance adequate for today's cost of living; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

R. S., T. 5, § 1121, sub-§ 10, repealed and replaced. Subsection 10 of section 1121 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 467 of the public laws of 1967, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

10. Widows of Governors. The unmarried widow of a Governor shall become entitled to a retirement allowance at the rate of $\frac{3}{8}$ of the annual salary being paid the Governor on the date the application for benefits is

received by the board of trustees. Said retirement allowance shall become effective on the date that the board of trustees receives written application from such widow. Such adjustments as are granted under section 1128 shall be applied to these payments.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.