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Presented by Mr. Lewin of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT to Clarify the Laws of the Department of Veterans Services.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 37, § 1, amended. The last sentence of section 1 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

All ~~employees members~~ of the department, with the exception of the clerical and laboring personnel, shall be war veterans.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 37, § 3, sub-§ 5, amended. Subsection 5 of section 3 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 6 of chapter 67 of the public laws of 1967, is further amended to read as follows:

5. **Records.** Establish and maintain a permanent record of all members of the armed services from Maine who served in World War II, the Korean Campaign and, the Viet Nam War and any period intervening since December 7, 1941.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 37, § 24, amended The last 2 sentences of section 24 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 422 of the public laws of 1965, are repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

All boxes used shall be protected with permanent vaults. Stones and vaults shall not be at state expense.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 37, § 25, amended: The 2nd sentence of section 25 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 422 of the public laws of 1965 and as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

Eligible dependents are: The wife, husband, surviving spouse, **unmarried** minor child or **unmarried** adult child who became incapable of self-support before reaching the age of 18 because of mental or physical defects.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 37, § 105, amended. The last sentence of section 105 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

In determining the amount of aid the department shall compile and use budgetary standards that reasonably reflect current costs of average standards of living.

Sec. 6. R. S., T. 37, § 154, amended. The last sentence of section 154 of Title 37 of the Revised Statutes is repealed as follows:

~~Said proof shall contain a certificate from the Adjutant General of the State to the effect that such person was an honorably discharged soldier or sailor or the widow of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor.~~

STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent of this Bill is to clarify portions of the laws administered by the Department of Veterans Services and to bring up to date certain portions of such laws due to administrative changes in certain programs.