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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1231

S. P. 415

In Senate, March 4, 1971

Referred to Committee on Veterans and Retirement. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Shute of Franklin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Service Retirement of Law Enforcement Officers in the Departments of Sea and Shore Fisheries and Inland Fisheries and Game.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 5, § 1121, sub-§ 1, ¶ D, repealed and replaced. Paragraph D of subsection 1 of section 1121 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 445 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

D. Any law enforcement officer in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game and any law enforcement officer in the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries may retire upon completion of 20 years of creditable service as a law enforcement officer in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game or a law enforcement officer in the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries, but must retire at attainment of age 55, except that any person, who was a law enforcement officer in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game or a law enforcement officer in the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries on July 1, 1956, may continue in service until age 60 is attained and forthwith shall be retired. Any person who is a law enforcement officer in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game or the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries and who will not have 20 years of creditable service at the time age 55 is attained may continue in said service until 20 years is attained and forthwith shall be retired. Military service credits as allowed under section 1094 shall not be considered as part of the creditable service as a law enforcement officer under this section, but that any military service creditable under section 1091 shall be considered to be part of the creditable service necessary for the 20 years as a law enforcement officer, provided that he was a law enforcement officer in either of said departments at the time

of entrance into said military service and upon separation from military service again became a law enforcement officer in either of said departments. The total amount of the service retirement allowance of a law enforcement officer retired in accordance with this paragraph shall be equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ of his current annual salary.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries the sum of \$16,972 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

	1971-72	1972-73
SEA AND SHORE FISHERIES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Personal Services	\$7,275	\$9,697

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment would reduce the total years of creditable service required from 25 years to 20 years. Mandatory retirement is reduced from age 60 to 55.

Credit for military service is reduced and limited to those who were in departments both before and after their military service.

The funding for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game retirees will be billed to the department by the retirement system and paid from that department's own funds.