

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Rollins of Dixfield.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-ONE

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JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO LOWER  
THE RETIREMENT AGE UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY  
FROM 65 TO 62 YEARS

WE, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the One Hundred and Fifth Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully present and petition your Honorable Body as follows:

WHEREAS, social security legislation is now under consideration by the Congress of the United States; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made to lower the retirement age from 65 to 62 at which full benefits could be received; and

WHEREAS, the lowering of the retirement age will assist approximately 8 million citizens for the first year; and

WHEREAS, of these 8 million citizens, 3.5 million persons will become eligible for the first time; and

WHEREAS, of these 3.5 million citizens, 1 million persons may act to claim benefits in the first year; and

WHEREAS, the cost of this provision will be approximately 2.6 billion dollars a year, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That we, your Memorialists, recommend and urge that the Congress of the United States give immediate and favorable consideration to this provision lowering the retirement age for receiving full benefits under social security from 65 to 62 years; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a copy of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted forthwith by the Secretary of State to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States and to members of the said Senate and House of Representatives from this State.