

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1965**

H. P. 1523

House of Representatives, January 24, 1972

The Committee on Veterans and Retirements suggested.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Lincoln of Bethel.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-TWO

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**RESOLVE, Providing a Minimum Service Retirement Allowance Under the  
State Retirement Law for Leo G. Bartlett.**

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

Whereas, Leo G. Bartlett was employed by the State for 12½ years prior to July 1, 1942, but was not a contributing member of the retirement system; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to alleviate an inequity by being excluded from the current retirement system provisions; 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

**Creditable state service; Leo G. Bartlett. Resolved:** That Leo G. Bartlett be provided with a minimum retirement benefit of not less than \$80 per month during his lifetime; and be it further

**Resolved:** That there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Maine State Retirement System the sum of \$7,556.06 to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall become effective March 1, 1972.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

Mr. Bartlett left employment of the State, May 30, 1942, just prior to the establishment of the Maine State Retirement System and had earned prior service credits amounting to approximately 12½ years. A letter received from the wife of a deceased supervisor of the State and who helped in the payroll construction stated Mr. Bartlett had worked "beginning in 1931 and through the mid forties." Copies of the payrolls for this period of time were not available. Mr. Bartlett had not made any contribution to the retirement system and therefore is not eligible for a retirement benefit under the present law. Similar allowances have been granted by the Legislature under chapter 144 of the private and special laws of 1971.