

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 374

H. P. 267

House of Representatives, January 24, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Davis of Addison.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Benefits for Widows of Forest Rangers.

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

R. S., T. 5, § 1121, sub-§ 1, ¶ E, amended. Paragraph E of subsection 1 of section 1121 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 13 of chapter 622 of the public laws of 1971, is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read as follows:

Upon the death of a forest ranger in the Forestry Department, who is the recipient of a retirement allowance under this section, without optional modification, or is retired under either the ordinary or occupational disability provisions, his widow, who was his spouse at the time of his retirement, shall become entitled to a retirement allowance which shall be equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the amount being paid at the time of his death and which payment shall continue for the remainder of her lifetime or until she should remarry. Payment of the appropriate monthly amount shall be made to the widow for the account of any deceased member of the Forestry Department who had retired without optional modification under this paragraph as of September 23, 1971 and shall not be retroactive.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide benefits for widows of forest rangers. The cost will be \$40,330; (\$12,373 from Organized Town Fire Control 1236-4000 and \$27,957 from Maine Forestry District 1236-7000).