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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 500

H. P. 371

House of Representatives, January 31, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. McNally of Ellsworth.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-THREE

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**AN ACT** Relating to Group Life Insurance for Judges and Justices of  
the Courts.

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

Whereas, the present group life insurance program for judges and justices of the courts terminates upon reaching the mandatory age of retirement; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary to prevent possible hardship that this program be extended for those who dedicate their lives to the judiciary; 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 enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**R. S., T. 5, § 1151, sub-§ 9, ¶ A, amended.** The last paragraph of paragraph A of subsection 9 of section 1151 of Title 5 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 34 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

The mandatory 10 years of coverage immediately prior to retirement clause shall apply only to those individuals who become first insured under the group life insurance program on or after the first day of the first month following ~~the effective date of this Act~~ September 3, 1965 nor shall the mandatory 10 years of coverage apply to any Judge or Justice of the Supreme,

Superior and District Courts nor to any retired judge or justice who was insured and who is living on the effective date of this Act.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

#### FISCAL NOTE

The projected cost of this proposal is minimal.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

It is the purpose of this Act to continue group life insurance for Judges or Justices of the Superior, Supreme and District Courts who are retired and living upon the effective date of this Act.