

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 533

H. P. 404

House of Representatives, January 31, 1973

Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Mulkern of Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Educational Assistance for Widows, Wives and  
Children of Veterans and Wives and Children of Prisoners of War.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, § 3211, amended.** The 3rd paragraph of section 3211 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 516 of the public laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

This chapter shall apply to the wives and children of those members of the Armed Forces on active duty who have been listed ~~for more than 90 days~~ as missing in action, captured or forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign government or power.

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 3212, amended.** The first sentence of section 3212 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 516 of the public laws of 1971, is further amended to read as follows:

In order to assist any person qualifying as an orphan or as a widow, wife or child of a veteran or member of the Armed Forces in accordance with section 3211 in securing higher education, the department shall pay, for any person which it finds eligible for such assistance, a maximum of ~~\$300~~ \$500 per year, for a period of time not exceeding 8 semesters of attendance nor exceeding 6 consecutive academic years from the date of first entrance, towards the cost of such higher education.

**Sec. 3. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Educational and Cultural Services the sum of \$93,330 to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown shall be as follows:

1973-74

1974-75

EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES,  
DEPARTMENT OF

Education of Widows, Wives and Children  
of Veterans

All Other

\$46,665

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title.