

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 141**

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H. P. 127

House of Representatives, January 9, 1975

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Ault of Wayne.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT** Allowing the Department of Military, Civil Emergency Preparedness and Veterans Services to Pay a Lump Sum Final Settlement in Accordance with the Workmen's Compensation Act.

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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 Industrial Accident Commission has decreed that Mr. Maurice E. Webster must be paid a lump sum final settlement; and

Whereas, the Department of Military, Civil Emergency Preparedness and Veterans Services was unable to promptly provide for such settlement in its budget request; 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:

**Appropriation.** There is appropriated to the Department of Military, Civil Emergency Preparedness and Veterans Services, Military Bureau, from the General Fund the sum of \$47,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975. The breakdown shall be as follows:

MILITARY, CIVIL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS  
AND VETERANS SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Military Bureau

All Other

1974-75

\$47,000

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

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

On September 26, 1966, Maurice E. Webster, an employee of the Military Bureau, suffered an accident while unloading a freight car. The result was a fracture of the first lumbar vertebra.

At a hearing held in Waterville on November 13, 1974, the Industrial Accident Commission, after due consideration and investigation, and in accordance with the Workmen's Compensation Act, awarded the petitioner, Maurice E. Webster, a lump sum settlement of \$46,000. The commission also determined that the petitioner's attorney fee of \$1,000 be paid by the employer.