

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 707

H. P. 572

House of Representatives, February 19, 1975

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Carpenter of Houlton.

Cosponsors: Mr. Rideout of Mapleton and Mr. Mills of Eastport.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Service Retirement for the Chief and Deputy Chief of State Police and Payment of Benefits to State Police Retirees.

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

5 MRSA § 1121, sub-§ 1, ¶ C, first ¶, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 412, § 3, is further amended to read:

Any member of the State Police who became a member of that department subsequent to July 9, 1943 may retire upon completion of 20 years of creditable service as a state police officer, but must retire upon attainment of age 55, except that any member who is a state police officer on January 1, 1967 and who will not have 20 years of creditable service at the time age 55 is attained may continue in said service until 20 years is attained and forthwith shall be retired. Except that military service credits as allowed under section 1094 shall not be considered as part of the creditable service necessary for the 20 years service as a state police officer, but that any military service creditable under section 1091 shall be considered to be part of the creditable service necessary for the 20 years as a state police officer provided that he was a state police officer at the time of entrance into said military service and upon separation from military service again became a state police officer. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, a state police officer appointed as the chief, deputy chief or as Commissioner of Public Safety, shall be permitted to continue in said position beyond attained age 55 or after completion of 20 years of creditable service until the end of the term for which he was appointed, and such ~~chief, deputy chief or~~ Commissioner of Public Safety may be appointed or reappointed regard-

less of attained age or length of creditable service. The total amount of the service retirement allowance of a member retired in accordance with this paragraph shall be equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ of his current annual salary. **The recipient of a retirement allowance under this section shall receive on any or all future adjustments in salaries to active members of the State Police such amount as will equal $\frac{1}{2}$ of the current annual salary paid to members of their respective grades at the time of retirement.**

FISCAL NOTE

In the event this proposal is enacted, it is estimated that costs would be \$9,200. for fiscal year 75-76.

STATEMENT OF FACT

It is the intent of the foregoing amendment to require that both the chief and the deputy chief of the State Police meet the same age requirements relating to retirement as affect other members of the State Police. Additionally, all State Police retirees, both prior and subsequent to July 9, 1943, will receive the same payment of benefits.