

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 978

H. P. 802

House of Representatives, March 6, 1975

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the State Police Retirement System.

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

25 MRSA § 1591, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 625, § 165, is amended to read:

§ 1591. System; limitation

Any member of the State Police may retire upon completion of 20 years creditable service, but must retire no later than July 1, 1974 and be placed upon the pension rolls and receive thereafter $\frac{1}{2}$ of the pay per year that is paid to a member of his grade at the time of his retirement. This section shall apply only to persons who were members of the State Police on July 9, 1943, except that a member appointed as ~~chief or~~ as Commissioner of Public Safety shall be permitted to continue in said position beyond July 1, 1974 or after completion of 20 years of creditable service until the end of the term for which he was appointed and said ~~chief or~~ commissioner may be appointed or reappointed regardless of attained age or length of creditable service.

Such ~~chief or~~ commissioner shall be credited with the number of years which he served as a member to be added to the number of years served as ~~chief or~~ commissioner. Upon his request for retirement, made in writing to the Governor and Council, he shall receive thereafter $\frac{1}{2}$ of the pay per year that is paid to him as ~~chief or~~ commissioner, provided he has at least 3 years as ~~chief or commissioner or a combination of both~~ at the time of his retirement.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to separate the retirement provisions for the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Chief of the State Police. At the time of the 1973 amendment both positions could be filled by the same individual who could have been a member prior to July 9, 1943. This situation is no longer possible.