

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1255**

H. P. 991

House of Representatives, March 20, 1975

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Laverty of Millinocket.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT Providing Minimum Retirement Benefits for Certain Teachers.**

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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, there are several former teachers whose service extends back beyond July 1, 1942 and as a result are receiving no pensions at the present time; and

Whereas, the following legislation is vitally necessary to alleviate an inequity which excludes this group of aged former teachers from the current retirement system provisions; 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:

**Sec. 1. Retirement benefits for certain teachers.** The following named former teachers shall be provided with a minimum retirement benefit of not less than \$100 per month during their lifetime, commencing July 1, 1975.

1. Mrs. Margaret Ketchen Burruby  
Pleasant Valley, New York  
c/o Paul Burruby
2. Mrs. Ellen G. Curley Frawley  
730 Union Street  
Bangor, Maine 04401

3. A. Ethel Thurcott  
82 Waterloo Row  
Frederickton, New Brunswick, Canada

**Sec. 2. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Maine State Retirement System the sum of \$36,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976 and \$36,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977 to carry out the purposes of this Act.

**Sec. 3. Intent.** It is the intent of the Legislature that the retirement benefits for certain teachers provided for herein be limited to \$110 per month and that the provisions of the Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1128 not apply to these benefits after the limit of \$110 has been reached. This limitation shall apply to those teachers named in the private and special laws of 1971, chapter 144 and the private and special laws of 1973, chapter 140.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall become effective July 1, 1975.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this Act is to add names of teachers to the list and delete others; and to freeze the benefits to \$110 per month.