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#### ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

No. 1886

H. P. 1596

Approved for introduction by a Majority of the Committee on Reference of Bills pursuant to Joint Rule 10. Referred to the Committee on Veterans and Retirement. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Leonard of Woolwich.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Establishing the Termination Date of the Viet Nam War for Purposes of Certain Veteran's Benefits under State Laws.

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

- Sec. 1. 5 MRSA § 674, sub-§ 1, ¶ D, as repealed and replaced by PL 1971, c. 561, is amended to read:
  - **D.** War, etc. "War, campaign or expedition" mean any of the following periods:
    - April 6, 1917 through November 10, 1918
    - December 7, 1941 through September 1, 1945
    - June 27, 1950 through January 31, 1955
    - August 5, 1964 to a termination date to be determined May 7, 1975.

Sec. 2. 37-A MRSA § 45, sub-§ 10, 2nd sentence, as enacted by PL 1973. c. 600, § 1, is amended to read:

A veteran of the Viet Nam War shall have served on active duty for a period of more than 180 days, any part of which occurred after August 4, 1964 and before May 7, 1975, except if he was discharged for a service-connected disability after such date.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill establishes the termination date of the Viet Nam War for the purposes of eligibility for certain veteran's benefits under state law.