

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 18

House of Representatives, Jan. 15, 1913.

Tabled pending reference to a committee by Mr. Newbert and ordered printed.

W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN.

AN ACT to Increase the Efficiency of the Public Schools of
Maine by Retiring Teachers of Long Service with Pensions.

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

Section 1. Any person of either sex who, on July 1, 1914,
2 or thereafter, shall have reached the age of sixty years and
3 who for thirty-five years shall have been engaged in teach-
4 ing as his principal occupation and who shall have been
5 employed as a teacher in the public schools, or in such other
6 schools within this State as are supported wholly or at least
7 three-fifths by state or town appropriation and are under
8 public management and control, twenty years of which em-
9 ployment, including the fifteen years immediately preceding
10 retirement, shall have been in this state and who shall have

11 been retired by his employer or shall have voluntarily re-
12 tired from active service, shall, on his formal application,
13 receive from the state for the remainder of his life an an-
14 nual pension equal to one-half of his average contractual
15 salary during the last five years before retiring, but in no
16 case shall such annual pension be more than \$500 and in
17 case the said one-half of his average contractual salary shall
18 be less than \$200, said annual pension shall be \$200; pro-
19 vided, however, that after July 1, 1914, no such employment
20 as teacher within this state shall be included within its pro-
21 visions unless the teacher shall hold a State Teachers' Cer-
22 tificate issued under the authority of the State Superintend-
23 ent of Schools.

Sect. 2. The State Superintendent of Schools, on or be-
2 fore the first day of January, 1914, shall formulate rules
3 and regulations for carrying into effect the provisions of
4 this act.

Sect. 3. The Treasurer of the State shall immediately
2 after the first day of July, 1914, and annually thereafter,
3 deduct the sum of \$25,000 from the State School Funds
4 and the same shall be set aside and denominated the School
5 Pension Fund, which shall be used in the manner hereinaf-
6 ter designated.

Sect. 4. On or before the first day of July, 1914, and an-
2 nually thereafter, the State Superintendent of Schools shall
3 certify to the Governor and Council the names of the per-
4 sons who are entitled to pensions under the provisions of

5 this act and the amounts thereof, and the Governor and
6 Council shall draw warrants on the Treasurer of the State
7 to be paid in four equal quarterly payments from said School
8 Pension Fund in favor of said persons for said amounts.

Sect. 5. All of the said School Pension Fund not distrib-
2 uted or expended during the financial year shall at its close
3 be added to the permanent school fund.

Sect. 6. This act shall take effect December 1, 1913.