

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 317

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House of Representatives, March 4, 1919.

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs and 500 ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Garcelon of Auburn.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND  
NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

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AN ACT to Further Amend Section Fifty-two of Chapter Four of the Revised Statutes as Amended by Chapter Fifty-nine of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Seventeen, Relating to Certificates for Reimbursement of Towns for Burial Expenses of Honorably Discharged Soldiers and Sailors.

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

Section fifty-two of chapter four of the revised statutes  
2 as amended by chapter fifty-nine of the public laws of  
3 nineteen hundred seventeen, is hereby further amended  
4 by striking out all of said section beginning with the  
5 words "said proof" in the eleventh line thereof, and adding

6 in place thereof the following: 'said proof shall contain  
7 a certificate from the adjutant general of the state to the  
8 effect that such person was an honorably discharged sol-  
9 dier or sailor, or the widow of an honorably discharged  
10 soldier or sailor.' So that said section as amended shall  
11 read as follows:

'Sect. 52. The municipal officers of the city or town in  
2 which such deceased resided at the time of his death, shall  
3 pay the expenses of his burial, and if he die in an unincor-  
4 porated place, the town charged with the support of paupers  
5 in such unincorporated place, shall pay such expenses, and  
6 in either case upon satisfactory proof by such town or city  
7 to the governor and council of the fact of such death and  
8 payment, the governor shall authorize the treasurer of  
9 state to refund said town or city the amount so paid, pro-  
10 vided, however, that the person whose burial expenses are  
11 paid in accordance with the provisions of this section and  
12 the preceding section shall not be constituted a pauper  
13 thereby; said proof shall contain a certificate from the  
14 adjutant general of the state to the effect that such person  
15 was an honorably discharged soldier or sailor, or the widow  
16 of an honorably discharged soldier or sailor.'