

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 249

In Senate, March 16, 1923.

Reported by Mr. Brewster from Committee on Legal Affairs
and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE

AN ACT to Amend Sections One and Five of Chapter One
Hundred Sixty-nine of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hun-
dred Nineteen, as Amended by Chapter One Hundred Eighty-
three of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Twenty-one,
Relating to the Support of Dependents of Soldiers, Sailors,
and Marines.

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

Section 1. Section one of chapter one hundred sixty-nine
2 of the public laws of nineteen hundred nineteen, as amended
3 by chapter one hundred eighty-three of the public laws of
4 nineteen hundred twenty-one, is hereby amended by strik-
5 ing out the words "who served in the world war" in the

6 fifth and sixth lines thereof and inserting in lieu thereof
7 the words 'killed in battle or dying or becoming disabled
8 as a result of the casualties of war, or of sickness con-
9 tracted in the line of his duty and not of his own fault dur-
10 ing the world war,' and by striking out all of said section
11 after the words "provided, however," in the eighteenth
12 line thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following: 'Any
13 person entitled to receive aid hereunder shall not forfeit
14 the same by reason of temporary absence from the state,'
15 so that said section shall read as follows:

'Section 1. The cities, towns and plantations in this state
2 shall raise money by taxation or otherwise to be applied
3 to relieve the necessitous circumstances of the wife, chil-
4 dren under the age of sixteen years, the infirm and depend-
5 ent father, mother or other member of the family incapable
6 of self-maintenance, of any soldier, sailor, or marine killed
7 in battle or dying or becoming disabled as a result of the
8 casualties of war or of sickness contracted in the line of
9 his duty and not of his own fault, during the world war;
10 provided, that on April first, nineteen hundred seventeen,
11 such soldier, sailor, or marine was a resident of this state.
12 The money so raised shall be paid directly to the depend-
13 ents entitled thereto under the provisions of this act, or to
14 the parent or legal guardian of any such dependents who
15 are minors or under guardianship, by the municipal officers
16 of the cities, towns and plantations in this state wherein
17 such dependents respectively reside, in sums not exceeding

18 four dollars a week to relieve the necessitous circumstances
19 of the wife, infirm and dependent father or mother of such
20 soldier, sailor, or marine, and a sum not exceeding one dol-
21 lar and fifty cents a week to relieve the necessitous circum-
22 stances of each child under the age of sixteen years or other
23 member of the family incapable of self-maintenance, who
24 is dependent upon such soldier, sailor, or marine. Any per-
25 son entitled to receive aid hereunder shall not forfeit the
26 same by reason of temporary absence from the state.'

Sect. 2. Section five of said chapter one hundred sixty-
2 nine, as amended by chapter one hundred eighty-three of
3 the public laws of nineteen hundred twenty-one, is hereby
4 amended by striking out the whole of said section and sub-
5 stituting therefor the following:

'Sect. 5. Such accounts shall be made up to the first days
2 of July and January in each year, and shall be filed with
3 the governor and council within a reasonable time there-
4 after. If approved, such accounts shall be paid by the state,
5 from the appropriation for soldiers' pensions, to the city,
6 town, or plantation whose claim has been thus established.'