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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

House Document

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House of Representatives, Jan. 24, 1929.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Robie of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Provide Pensions for the Call Members of the Fire Department of the City of Westbrook.

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

Section 1. Section nineteen of the charter of the city of

- 2 Westbrook is hereby amended by the addition of the fol-
- 3 lowing paragraphs after the word "department."

'Retirement pensions for Call Members of the Fire De-

- 2 partment provided for: conditions. The call members of
- 3 the fire department may be retired upon pension of half of
- 4 the pay drawn by the person at the time of retirement, who
- 5 have been honorably discharged from said department by
- 6 reason of:

'First: Having served in any capacity in said fire depart-2 ment not less than twenty-five years, or

Second: Having served in any capacity in said fire de-2 partment not less than twenty years and having reached the 3 age of sixty-five years, or

'Third: Having been permanently disabled in the per-2 formance of duty.

'Widows, children and dependents of call members of fire 2 department, provisions for. It shall be the duty of the 3 city council of the city of Westbrook to provide for pay-4 ment to the widow of any aforesaid member of its fire de-5 partment, who has lost his life in the performance of his 6 duty, an annuity of not more than twenty-five dollars per 7 month, so long as she remains a widow and in need of such 8 annuity. If any of such firemen, who has lost his life in 9 the performance of his duty leaves no widow, such annuity 10 shall be paid to the minor child or children, or other person 11 or persons dependent upon such member of the fire department, for such period as the city council shall determine.'

- Sect. 2. Inconsistent acts repealed. All acts and parts 2 of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
- Sect. 3. This act shall take effect and be in full force, 2 when approved by a majority of the votes cast by those 3 qualified to vote in municipal elections in said city, voting 4 at the first annual election to be held on the ninth day of 5 December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hun-6 dred and twenty-nine.

The city clerk shall reduce the subject matter of this act 2 to the following question and cause same to be printed on 3 the official election ballot: "Shall the act relating to the 4 retirement of call members of the fire department, upon 5 half pay, be adopted?" and the voters shall indicate their 6 preference by a cross within a square upon their ballots, 7 said ballots to contain squares for answer of said question, 8 marked "Yes" and "No" respectively.