

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

House Document

No. 576

H. P. 1570 House of Representatives, March 1, 1929.

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

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Peacock of Readfield.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Provide an Old Age Pension.

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

Section 1. Any worthy, distressed person who has
2 reached the age of seventy-five years and has continuously
3 resided in the state for ten consecutive years prior to mak-
4 ing application for the benefits of this act shall be paid a
5 pension annually of not less than three hundred dollars nor
6 more than three hundred sixty-five dollars, said payments
7 to be made in twelve equal installments by the state treas-
8 urer and taken from the fund designated as the old age
9 pension fund. The governor and council shall have full

10 control of all monies appropriated and expended under this
11 act.

Sect. 2. No person or persons who are charges of any
2 charitable institution of this state or who are charges of
3 any charitable institution of a city or town shall be eligible
4 to receive the benefits of this act, provided also that no
5 person who shall receive a pension under this act shall also
6 obtain a pension under the act pensioning the blind or the
7 act allowing pensions to soldiers or sailors, their widows,
8 sisters or dependent children.

Sect. 3. For the purposes of this act worthy shall be de-
2 fined as meaning a person who has lead a life of sobriety and
3 rectitude, distressed shall be defined as meaning a person
4 who has no property sufficient to produce an income of three
5 hundred dollars and not disposed of property so as to come
6 within the purview of this act or has no near relatives with
7 sufficient funds or property to provide for his or her sup-
8 port as now provided by law.