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SENATE AMENDMENT "B" TO LEGISLATIVE DOCUMENT 866

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Legislative Document

No. 1003

H. P. 866

House of Representatives, March 22, 1933.

On motion of Mr. Dow of Portland ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE

AN ACT Reducing the Compensation of State Officials and Employees.

Amend Legislative Document No. 866 by striking out the words "for a period of 2 years only" in the 1st section thereof and substituting in place thereof the words 'until July 1, 1935' and by striking out the present section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Sec. 4. The provisions of this act shall not apply to official salaries which the legislature has no authority to diminish nor to affect the retirement pay or pension rate of state employees and officials, and such officials and employees shall be allowed such retirement pay or pension as would have been due if this act had not become law, and for this purpose shall be considered as having received during the effective period of this act such salary or wages as they would have received if this act had not become law,' and further amend said act by inserting the following emergency preamble:

'Whereas, as a result of the existing world wide depression there has arisen in the United States and this State a financial emergency unforeseen when the appropriations were made by the last legislature for the present biennium, and

Whereas, by virtue of such emergency the falling off in state revenues has been so great and continues to be so great that a considerable deficit for the current fiscal year is unavoidable, and

Whereas, such deficit may be minimized by making immediately effective a revised schedule of salary payments for public officials, and

Whereas, in the judgment of this legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, now therefore,'

And further amend said bill by adding thereto the following sections:

'Sec. 5. Limitation. This act shall remain in effect until July 1, 1935.

Sec. 6. Emergency. In view of the emergency set forth in the preamble this act shall take effect when approved.'