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S. P. 656

In Senate, March 22, 1935.

Reported by Senator Cowan of Lincoln from Committee on Pensions and laid on table to be printed under Joint Rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

NEW DRAFT, S. P. 383, L, D, 432

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Provide for Pensions for Veterans of the Civil War, Spanish War and Philippine Insurrection, and Their Dependents.

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

Sec. 1. Pensions to soldiers and sailors. Any person who has served in the army or navy of the United States in the war of 1861, on the quota of Maine, and any person not on the quota of Maine, who has served in the army or navy of the United States in said war, and at time of making application for pension shall have been a resident of the state at least 5 years; also any person who has served in the army or navy of the United States in the war with Spain, on the quota of Maine, and any person whether or not in the quota of Maine, who has served in the army or navy of the United States in the war with Spain or the Philippine insurrection at any time prior to the 4th day of July, 1902, and at time of making application for pension shall have been a resident of the state at least 5 years, and who is unable from his own resources and the United States pension, if any, to obtain a livelihood for himself and those dependent upon him, shall be entitled to a pension from the state not exceeding \$12 a month, provided, he has been honorably discharged from said service. No such pension shall be paid by this state to persons residing in other states.

- Sec. 2. Pension to widow, orphan children, and dependent relatives. The widow during her widowhood, or the son, daughter, parent or sister of any soldier or seamen deceased, who was dependent upon him at the time of his decease, are entitled to the same pension as is provided in the preceding section and under similar conditions; provided that not more than \$12 a month shall be paid the dependents of any such soldier or seamen. Any son, daughter, parent or sister of any soldier or seamen deceased, who was receiving a pension on July 10th, 1925, shall not be rendered ineligible by reason of anything herein contained.
- Sec. 3. Department of health and welfare shall have jurisdiction. The department of health and welfare shall determine whether or not any applicant is entitled to a pension under the 2 preceding sections.
- Sec. 4. Pensions to be paid quarterly. Pensions granted under the provisios of this law shall be paid quarterly from the state treasury.
- Sec. 5. Repealing clause. Sections 214, 215, 216, and 217 of Chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933 are hereby repealed.