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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by George Davis of Fairfield.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-SIX

AN ACT Relating to Old-Age Assistance

Emergency preamble. Whereas, the social security act (public 271, 74th congress), provides for federal grants to states for old-age assistance, and

Whereas, said act provides that there must be financial participation by the states in this form of aid, and

Whereas, the requirements for aid for many of our aged inhabitants make it imperative that the state shall grant aid to the limit of its ability to such persons and that it shall procure its fair proportion of the federal money provided for said purpose, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts constitute an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of the state of Maine and therefore require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Continuation of old-age assistance. The plan established by order of the governor and council on December 27, 1935, whereby the state is enabled to avail itself of federal grants for old-age assistance; aid to dependent children and aid to the blind, shall continue until otherwise provided by the legislature, except that the funds for old-age assistance and

administration thereof, over and above the amounts set aside from the state contingent fund for that purpose, shall be provided by direct appropriation.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The sum of \$100,000.00 hereby is appropriated for old-age assistance and administration thereof until March 1, 1937.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency recited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.