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H. P. 1443

House of Representatives, February 9, 1939.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Poulin of Rumford.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Support of Dependents of Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines of the World War.

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

P. L., 1933, c. 1, §§ 235, 236, amended. Sections 235 and 236 of chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933, as amended by chapter 215 of the public laws of 1937, are hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 235. Persons entitled to relief defined. ~~The wife, children under the age of 16 years, the infirm and dependent father or mother, incapable of self maintenance, of~~ Any soldier, sailor, or marine of the armed forces of the United States on active duty during the World War before the 11th day of November, 1918, **and any soldier who served in the Siberian Expeditionary Forces before July 2, 1921,** killed in battle or dead, or who is disabled, and in necessitous circumstances, and who was not dishonorably discharged, and who enlisted or was drafted while residing in the state of Maine, **his dependent wife or widow, children under the age of 16 years, infirm and dependent father or mother, incapable of self maintenance,** shall be eligible for relief from the state, provided that the **veteran or his** dependent is resident in the state of Maine. Any person entitled to receive relief hereunder shall not forfeit the same by reason of temporary absence from the state.'

‘Sec. 236. Conditions of relief. Such relief shall be granted in sums not exceeding \$7 a week, to relieve the necessitous circumstances, if such exist, of the ~~wife, the infirm and dependent father or mother of such~~ soldier, sailor, or marine, **his wife or widow, infirm and dependent father or mother,** and in sums not exceeding \$3 a week to relieve the necessitous circumstances of each child under the age of 16 years, incapable of self maintenance, who was or is dependent on such soldier, sailor, or marine, provided that the department, in determining amount to be paid, shall give consideration to allowances received by said veterans or their dependents from the federal government. In the administration of the provisions of sections 234 to 240, the department shall endeavor to give preference to the applications of dependents of veterans deceased from or suffering with disabilities of service origin, or that the department might presume to be of service origin.’