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S. P. 458

In Senate, February 19, 1941.

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and 650 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Fellows of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Burial Grounds for Soldiers.

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

R. S., c. 24, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 24 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 3. Ancient or public burying-grounds to be cared for; penalty for neglect. Each town, parish, religious society, and any individual, association, or corporation, to which any ancient or public burying-ground belongs shall keep a substantial fence around it in good repair; and in any such burying-ground in which any Revolutionary soldier or sailor, **or soldier or sailor who served in the United States army, navy or marine corps in any war** is buried, the town in which said burying-ground is located shall keep in good condition and repair, all graves, headstones, monuments, or markers designating the burial place of said Revolutionary soldiers or sailors, **or soldier or sailor who served in the United States army, navy or marine corps or any war**, and shall keep the grass suitably cut and trimmed on such graves during the summer season. Towns may raise and appropriate money for such purposes. Each said town, parish, religious society, individual, association, or corporation shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$25 for neglect to maintain such fence in good repair, and each said

town shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$10 for neglect to keep in good condition and repair all such graves, headstones, monuments, and markers, or failing to keep the grass suitably cut and trimmed as aforesaid, on said graves. The penalties above provided for shall be recovered in an action of debt brought in the name and for the use of any chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution **or post of the American Legion** against such negligent town, parish, religious society, individual, association, or corporation.'

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