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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Deering of Bath.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Relating to Ordinances for Certain Employees of the City of  
Bath.**

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

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, the absorption of competent persons by the industrial plants engaged in the national defense program threatens to seriously deplete the personnel of certain departments of the city of Bath, and

Whereas, such threatened depletion has created a hazard to the peace, health and safety of the public, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature these facts create an emergency within the meaning of section 16 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,

**Sec. 1. Certain ordinances may be made.** The city council of the city of Bath shall provide by ordinance for a system of rules for the appointment, promotion, demotion, lay-off, reinstatement, suspension and removal of members of the police department, fire department, highway and sewer department, and the cemetery and park department, and for a commission

or commissions to administer the same, except that this act shall not apply to the city marshal, chief of the fire department, superintendent of highways and sewers, and the superintendent of burials and burying grounds.

**Sec. 2. Pensions.** The city council of the city of Bath may and is hereby authorized to provide, by ordinance, for the retirement upon pension of the members of the several departments mentioned in section 1 above.

**Sec. 3. Repealing clause.** All act or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed in so far as such inconsistency exists.

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