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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Jordan of Saco.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Teachers' Retirement System.

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

R. S., c. 37, § 222, sub-III, amended. Subsection III of section 222 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

Any member of the retirement association who has been a member 'III. for more than I year and who is was actively engaged in teaching, upon entering such elasses branches of the military or naval services of the United States as may be approved by resolution of the teachers' retirement board, shall be continued as a member during such military or naval service if he does not withdraw his contributions contribution, and shall have all the benefits provided by sections 221 to 241, inclusive. During such service, in addition to its own share the state shall contribute such amounts as the member would have been required to contribute if he had been teaching within this state during his service in the said military or naval forces, in the same capacity as that in which he was teaching at the time he joined the service. If the aforesaid member shall withdraw from, or become becomes separated from the association, he may not withdraw any of the contributions made by the state under this subsection. The teachers' retirement board may in its discretion, by a majority vote of

the board, make the provisions of this subsection inapplicable in individual cases, at such time as may be deemed appropriate.

The provisions of this subsection shall be effective as to any aforesaid member for a period not exceeding I year from the date of honorable discharge from such service, unless service-connected disability prevents the member from returning to teaching service within that period of time, except that the teachers' retirement board may, in its discretion and by a majority vote, make the provisions of this subsection inapplicable to individual cases or permit individual cases not otherwise eligible to come within the provisions of this subsection. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all veterans of World War II. Any member of this association who has withdrawn his membership and funds, prior to the effective date of this act, for the purpose of entering the above mentioned service, may be given the privilege of reinstating himself in the manner provided by section 230 and such reinstatement shall entitle him to the benefits of the teachers' retirement system.'