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House of Representatives, February 6, 1947.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston by request.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT Amending the Charter of the City of Lewiston to Provide
Pensions for Widows and Dependents of Firemen.**

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

P. & S. L., 1939, c. 8, Art. XII, § 16-A, additional. Article XII of chapter 8 of the private and special laws of 1939, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 16-A, to read as follows:

Sec. 16-A. Pensions for widows and dependents of firemen. Subject to the same procedure as to application, approval by the pension board, etc., as firemen's pensions, the following benefits and pensions shall be paid to widows and dependents of firemen:

I. Widows. Widows who shall have been married to firemen before the separation of such firemen from active service shall receive:

A. A minimum widow's pension of not less than half of the fireman's salary per month, to be paid until death or remarriage, where death of the fireman occurred from natural causes or from causes not originating in his service as a fireman, or

B. A duty death pension of not less than half of the fireman's salary, but not more than \$100 per month, to be paid until death or remarriage, where death of fireman resulted from performance of duty in the department.

II. Children. Children of deceased firemen, until they attain 18 years of age, shall receive:

A. If the mother is living, \$15 per month for each child, the total of the mother's and children's pensions at no time to exceed \$100 per month, or

B. If the mother is dead, \$25 per month for each child. The pension board shall have power, where advisable, to waive guardianship and pay children's pensions to the natural or de facto guardians.

III. Dependent parents. Should a fireman die leaving no wife or children and leaving a parent or parents who have been dependent on him for support, a minimum pension for such parent or parents in the amount of \$25 per month shall be paid.'