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Legislative Document

No. 783

S. P. 310

In Senate, February 13, 1947.

Referred to Committee on Welfare. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Haskell of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Increasing the Maximum Payment in Old Age Assistance.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 260, amended. Section 260 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 251 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 260. Old age assistance provided for; applications. Subject to the qualifications and restrictions contained in sections 256 to 274, inclusive, every person residing in this state shall be entitled to assistance in old age. The amount of assistance which any person shall receive shall be determined on a budgetary basis with due regard to the conditions existing in each case and in accordance with the rules and regulations made by the department. This assistance shall be sufficient, when added to all other income and support of the recipient, to provide such person with a reasonable subsistence compatible with decency and health, but not exceeding ~~\$40~~ \$45 per month. Applications for old age assistance under the provisions of this section may be made to either the state or the municipal officers of the cities, towns and plantations in which the applicant resides, in accordance with such regulations as the commissioner of the depart-

ment shall prescribe. Said applications shall be made on blanks furnished by the department and forwarded by said municipal officers to said department. **Provided that if, at any time, the maximum amount which the federal government will match is decreased from \$45, then the state maximum shall be decreased accordingly.'**