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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Elderly Teachers' Pensions.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 37, § 212, amended. Section 212 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 239 of the public laws of 1945 and by section 4 of chapter 384 of the public laws of 1947, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 212. Teachers who may be entitled to an annual pension of \$900. Except as provided in chapter 60, any person of either sex who, on the 30th day of September, 1913, or thereafter, shall have reached the age of 60 years and who for 35 years shall have been engaged in teaching as his principal occupation, and who shall have been employed as a teacher or teacher and supervisor in the public schools, or in such other schools within this state as are supported wholly or at least 3/5 by state or town appropriation and are under public management and control, 20 years of which employment, including the 15 years immediately preceding retirement, shall have been in this state, and who shall be retired by his employer or shall voluntarily retire from active service after completion of the school year next preceding the 30th day of September, 1913, shall, on his formal application, receive from the state for the remainder of his life an annual pension of **\$600**; provided, however, that after the 30th day of

September, 1913, no such employment as teacher within this state shall be included in its provisions unless the teacher shall hold a state teachers' certificate issued under the authority of the commissioner.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 37, § 213, amended. Section 213 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 239 of the public laws of 1945 and by section 5 of chapter 384 of the public laws of 1947, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 213. Teachers who may receive an annual pension of \$800. Except as provided in chapter 60, any person of either sex who, on the 30th day of September, 1913, or thereafter, shall have reached the age of 60 years and who for 30 years shall have been engaged in teaching as his principal occupation and who shall have in all other respects met the requirements of the preceding section shall, on his formal application, receive from the state for the remainder of his life an annual pension of \$500.

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 37, § 214, amended. Section 214 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 239 of the public laws of 1945 and by section 6 of chapter 384 of the public laws of 1947, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 214. Teachers who may receive an annual pension of \$700. Except as provided in chapter 60, any person of either sex who, on the 30th day of September, 1913, or thereafter, shall have reached the age of 60 years and who for 25 years shall have been engaged in teaching as his principal occupation, and who shall have in all other respects met the requirements of section 212 shall, on his formal application, receive from the state for the remainder of his life an annual pension of \$400 \$700.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 60, § 6-A, sub-§ VIII, amended. Subsection VIII of section 6-A of chapter 60 of the revised statutes, as revised by section 3 of chapter 384 of the public laws of 1947, is hereby amended to read as follows:

VIII. Anything to the contrary notwithstanding, the service retirement allowance for any employee who was subject to the provisions of sections 212 to 227 214, inclusive, of chapter 37 shall at least be equal to the provisions set forth in such sections as of July 1, 1947.

Sec. 5. Limitation. The increases in pensions hereinbefore authorized shall apply only to those teachers who retired prior to July 1, 1947.

Sec. 6. Effective date. The provisions of this act shall take effect July 1, 1949.