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NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 275

S. P. 141 In Senate, January 30, 1957. Referred to Committee on Welfare. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Reed of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Burial Expenses for Recipients of Aid to the Blind and Aid to the Disabled.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, § 313, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 313 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Upon the death of a beneficiary, occurring after August 20, 1951, the State shall have a claim against his estate, enforceable in the probate court, for all amounts paid to him under the provisions of sections 298 to 318, inclusive. Such claims shall have priority over all unsecured claims against such estate, except:

- I. Administrative expenses, including probate fees and taxes;
- II. Expenses of the last sickness and burial expenses;
- III. Funeral expenses, not exceeding \$400, exclusive of clergymen's honorarium and cemetery expenses.'
- Sec. 2. R. S., c. 25, § 319-Q, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 319-Q of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 30 of chapter 405 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Upon the death of a beneficiary, the State shall have a claim against his estate, enforceable in the probate court, for all amounts paid to him under the provisions of sections 319-A to 319-T, inclusive. Such claim shall have priority over all unsecured claims against such estate, except:

I. Administrative expenses, including probate fees and taxes;

- II. Expenses of the last sickness and burial expenses;
- III. Funeral expenses, not exceeding \$400, exclusive of clergymen's honorarium and cemetery expenses.'