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## NINETY - EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 329**

H. P. 236

House of Representatives, January 30, 1957.

Referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Rich of Charleston.

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### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

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**RESOLVE, Providing for State Pension for George DeWitt of Bradford.**

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**George DeWitt; state pension. Resolved:** That a pension of \$50 per month be, and hereby is, granted to George DeWitt, of Bradford, to be paid monthly from the appropriation for special legislative pensions. Such pension shall begin on July 1, 1957 and continue until otherwise provided by the Legislature.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS

Mr. DeWitt is 84 years of age and nearly blind. His wife is 65 years of age. They have raised a family of 4 sons. The sons, who all have families of their own, are financially unable to provide support. Mr. DeWitt owns a small, unproductive farm which provides no income. Taxes on the farm are in arrears for the last three years. Mr. DeWitt, a blacksmith, is unable to work because of his advanced age. The Department of Health and Welfare has disapproved the application for Old Age Assistance on the grounds that the sons should provide assistance.