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H P. 669

House of Representatives, February 25, 1959

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Rollins of Belfast.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-NINE

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**RESOLVE, Providing a Pension for Miss Avis Robertson of Belfast.**

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**Avis Robertson; state pension. Resolved:** That a pension of \$60 per month be, and is, granted to Miss Avis Robertson, of Belfast, to be paid monthly from the appropriation for special legislative pensions. Such pension shall begin on July 1, 1959, and continue until otherwise provided by the Legislature.

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

Miss Robertson is 42 years of age. She is employed 3 days a week as a proof-reader at the Republican Journal office. At the age of 5 she was stricken with polio and with spinal meningitis. These 2 diseases left her with a double curvature of the spine and with her legs paralyzed. Through the years she has developed many more physical complications and requires medical attention at all times. Though she is able to earn a small amount of income it is not anywhere near enough to pay for all the medical care she has to have. Dr. Dennett Adams of Boston told her that she had the most complicated medical history of any patient he had ever had.