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## Chapter 113.

An Act to Amend Sections One and Five of Chapter One Hundred and Sixty-nine of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, as Amended by Chapter One Hundred and Eighty-three of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, Relating to the Support of Dependents of Soldiers, Sailors and Marines.

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

Sec. 1. P. L., 1919, c. 169, sec. 1; 1921, c. 183, authorizing towns to raise money for relief of dependents of soldiers and sailors, amended. Section one of chapter one hundred and sixty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen, as amended by chapter one hundred and eighty-three of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, is hereby amended, by striking out the words "who served in the world war" in the fifth and sixth lines thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'killed in battle or dying or becoming disabled as a result of the casualties of war, or of sickness contracted in the line of his duty and not of his own fault during the world war,' and by adding after the word "who" in the seventeenth line the words 'was or,' and by striking out all of said section after the word "marine" in the eighteenth line thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following: 'Any person entitled to receive aid hereunder shall not forfeit the same by reason of temporary absence from the state,' so that said section shall read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Relief limited to dependents of those killed in battle or dying or becoming disabled as result of casualties of war, or sickness contracted in line of duty. The cities, towns and plantations in this state shall raise money by taxation or otherwise to be applied to relieve the necessitous circumstances of the wife, children under the age of sixteen years, the infirm and dependent father, mother or other member of the family incapable of self-maintenance, of any soldier, sailor, or marine killed in battle or dying or becoming disabled as a result of the casualties of war or of sickness contracted in the line of his duty and not of his own fault, during the world war; provided, that on April first, nineteen hundred and seventeen, such soldier, sailor, or marine was a resident of this state. The money so raised shall be paid directly to the dependents entitled thereto under the provisions of this act, or to the parent or legal guardian of any such dependents who are minors or under guardianship, by the municipal officers of the cities, towns and plantations wherein such dependents respectively reside, in sums not exceeding four dollars a week, to relieve the necessitous circumstances of the wife, infirm and dependent father or mother of such soldier, sailor, or marine, and a sum not exceeding one dollar and fifty cents a week to relieve the necessitous circumstances of each child under the age of sixteen years or other member of the family incapable of self-maintenance who was or is dependent upon such soldier,

sailor, or marine. Any person entitled to receive aid hereunder shall not forfeit the same by reason of temporary absence from the state.'

Sec. 2. P. L., 1919, c. 169, sec. 5; 1921, c. 183; relating to filing of accounts in connection with aid furnished, amended. Section five of said chapter one hundred and sixty-nine, as amended by chapter one hundred and eighty-three of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one, is hereby amended, by striking out the whole of said section, and substituting therefor the following:

'Sec. 5. Accounts to be filed with governor and council within a reasonable time after the first days of July and January. Such accounts shall be made up to the first days of July and January in each year, and shall be filed with the governor and council within a reasonable time thereafter. If approved, such accounts shall be paid by the state, from the appropriation for soldiers' pensions, to the city, town, or plantation whose claim has been thus established.'

Approved March 28, 1923.

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## Chapter 114.

An Act Relating to the Expenditures of the Department of Public Schools.

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

Sec. 1. Expenses of school department to be deducted from school fund. All expenditures of the department of public schools, including salaries and general office expenses, shall be taken from the state school fund.

Sec. 2. All specific appropriations to be deducted from school fund. Before distribution to the cities and towns, there shall be deducted from the state school fund all sums appropriated by existing laws for specific purposes, together with all sums appropriated by the eighty-first legislature for specific purposes.

Sec. 3. Inconsistent acts repealed. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved March 28, 1923