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dollars; the annual salary of the two associate members of said board shall be two thousand five hundred dollars. All the members of said board shall also receive their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties. They shall employ a chief clerk and such other clerical assistance as may be necessary.'

Sec. 3. P. L., 1919, c. 202; relating to convention of municipal assessors authorized; amended. Chapter two hundred and two of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said chapter and inserting in lieu thereof as follows:

Annual convention in Augusta. 'The board of state assessors is authorized to hold an annual convention of city and town assessors in the city of Augusta at such time as said board of state assessors may designate. Said board may apply a sum not to exceed three hundred dollars from their departmental appropriation to defray the expenses of said convention.'

Approved April 11, 1929.

Chapter 295.

An Act to Provide for Relief of Needy Dependents of Disabled Veterans of the World War.

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

Sec. 1. Commission to pass on applications for relief. A commission of five persons consisting of the adjutant general of the state, the messenger to the governor and council, the secretary of the department of public welfare, and two other citizens of the state, shall be appointed by the governor, who shall serve during his pleasure and without compensation and who shall consider and pass on all applications for relief under the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. Those eligible for relief. The wife, children under the age of sixteen years, the infirm and dependent father or mother, incapable of self maintenance, of any soldier, sailor or marine of the armed forces of the United States on active duty during the World War, killed in battle or dead, or who is disabled, and in necessitous circumstances, provided that on April first, nineteen hundred and nineteen, such soldier, sailor or marine, if living, was a resident of the state, shall be eligible for relief to such amount as hereinafter provided. Any person entitled to receive relief hereunder shall not forfeit the same by reason of temporary absence from the state.

Sec. 3. Relief sums specified. Such relief shall be granted in sums not exceeding seven dollars a week, to relieve the necessitous circumstances, if such exist, of the wife, infirm and dependent father or mother of such

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soldier, sailor or marine, and in sums not exceeding three dollars a week to relieve the necessitous circumstances of each child under the age of sixteen years, incapable of self maintenance, who was or is dependent upon such soldier, sailor or marine.

Sec. 4. Monthly payments. Relief granted under the provisions of this act shall be paid monthly by the treasurer of state upon warrants drawn by the governor and council.

Sec. 5. Other dependents. Such relief may, in the discretion of the commission, be paid to any other persons whom they may designate for the benefit of such dependents.

Sec. 6. Pauper disabilities not created. No pauper disabilities shall be created by reason of receiving the relief provided in this act.

Sec. 7. Applications. Applications for relief shall be made in any form designated by the commission.

Sec. 8. Appropriation. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, there is hereby appropriated the sum of fifty thousand dollars annually, for each of the fiscal years, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine and thirty, and nineteen hundred and thirty and thirty-one.

Sec. 9. Penalty for false statement. Whoever knowingly makes a false statement, oral or written, relating to a material fact in support of claim to war allowance or state aid under the provisions of this act, shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than one year. Whoever, being entitled to the benefits of this act, fraudulently claims or receives pay for a period of time following a termination of his right to receive the same, shall be punished by fine of not more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 10. P. L., 1919, c. 169; P. L., 1921, c. 183; P. L., 1923, c. 113; P. L., 1925, c. 179; relating to support of dependents of soldiers, sailors and marines, repealed. Chapter one hundred and sixty-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and nineteen; chapter one hundred and eighty-three of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-one; chapter one hundred and thirteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-three and chapter one hundred and seventy-nine of the public laws of nineteen hundred and twenty-five are hereby repealed.

Passed over Governor's Veto, April 13, 1929.