

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES  
AS PASSED BY THE  
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OF THE  
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**STATE OF MAINE**

As Passed by the Ninety-first Legislature

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rule or order of any governmental authority having jurisdiction thereof any of the legally incorporated agricultural clubs, societies and fair associations of the state, hereinafter in this chapter designated as societies, shall cease to pay in any year premiums or gratuities upon horses, cattle, sheep and swine, poultry and agricultural and domestic products, or any of them, then and in such event the commissioner of agriculture shall in each year pay out of the state stipend set aside for such purposes to each such society as may cease to pay such premiums or gratuities in the same proportion as such society was paid for the year 1941, in any event not to exceed \$3,000 per year; provided, however, that if any such society did not receive such payment in 1941, the commissioner of agriculture may in his discretion pay such society the stipend or such proportionate part of said stipend as he may determine based on premiums paid by said society in a normal year prior to 1941; provided, further, that nothing in chapter 39 of the revised statutes shall be construed as preventing any such society which continues to pay such premiums and gratuities from receiving out of such stipend the amount to which it would be entitled under the provisions of sections 25 and 26 of chapter 39 of said revised statutes, as amended, and if the amount so received is not equal to the amount to which such society would have been entitled under the provisions of this act, the provisions of this act shall govern.

**Sec. 2. Duration of act.** This act shall cease to be effective 6 months after the cessation of hostilities.

Effective July 9, 1943

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## Chapter 88

### AN ACT Relating to Deposits of County Funds.

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

R. S., c. 16, additional. Chapter 16 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 6-A and to read as follows:

'Sec. 6-A. County funds, where deposited or invested. The treasurer, with the approval of the county commissioners, may deposit the moneys received by him for the use of the county in any of the banking institutions or trust companies or mutual savings banks organized under the laws of this state, or in any national bank or banks located therein, or when in his judgment there is money in the treasury which is not needed to meet current obligations, he may, with the advice and consent of the county commissioners, invest such amount as he deems advisable in bonds, notes, cer-

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tificates of indebtedness, or other obligations of the United States of America which mature not more than 1 year from the date of investment.'

Effective July 9, 1943

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## Chapter 89

### AN ACT Relating to the Support of Dependents of Veterans of World War I and World War II.

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

**Sec. 1. Definitions.** (a) The word "department" wherever used in this act shall be construed to mean the department of health and welfare.

(b) The term "wife" wherever used in this act shall be construed to mean the legally married wife of the veteran, not divorced, or the unremarried widow of the veteran, not previously divorced.

(c) The term "child" shall be construed to mean a child under the age of 16, or over age 16 and under age 18 if found by the department to be regularly attending school, or over 16 and not attending school if, prior to reaching age 16 the child becomes or has become permanently incapable of self-support by reason of mental or physical defect, and shall include a legitimate or legally adopted child of the veteran, or a stepchild if a member of the veteran's household either at time of application, or in the event of the veteran's death, at time of death, and who continues a member of the household, or an illegitimate child, provided that the veteran has been judicially ordered or decreed by the court to contribute to the child's support, or has been judicially decreed to be the putative father, or has acknowledged under oath in writing that he is the father of such child.

(d) The term "parent" shall mean the father or mother of a veteran with whom the veteran lived during his minority and for whom he would be legally responsible under the laws of the state.

(e) The term "veteran" wherever used in this act shall be construed to mean any person who served or is serving in the armed forces of the United States on active duty during World War I or World War II, not dishonorably discharged.

(f) The terms "World War I" and "World War II" shall be interpreted in accordance with the Acts of Congress as now or hereafter defined by the regulations of the federal departments charged with administering monetary and other benefits to veterans and their dependents.

**Sec. 2. Eligibility for aid.** Aid shall be granted under this act to the