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# **STATE OF MAINE**

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

## TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FIVE

# S.P. 130 - L.D. 280

# An Act to Establish Lifetime Ferry Passes for Retired Maine State Ferry Service Employees

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

Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §4408 is enacted to read:

#### §4408. Lifetime ferry passes for retired ferry service employees

A former state employee who is receiving retirement benefits after at least 15 years of employment with the Maine State Ferry Service and who is a year-round resident of one of the served islands of the Maine State Ferry Service is eligible to receive a lifetime ferry pass and a waiver from any reservation fees if the lifetime ferry pass is presented when making the reservation. For the purposes of this section, "lifetime ferry pass" means a nontransferable pass that provides on a ferry operated by the Maine State Ferry Service:

**1. Walk-on passage.** Unlimited walk-on passage for a passenger to and from the island on which the retiree resides; and

2. Passenger and vehicle passage. One round-trip passage per month for a passenger and that passenger's vehicle during peak season as determined by rules adopted by the Department of Transportation and 2 round-trip passages per month during off-peak season as determined by rules adopted by the department. A reservation for passage described in this subsection must follow rules adopted by the department. For the purposes of this subsection, "vehicle" means a noncommercial motor vehicle with 4 tires or fewer and an overall length of 20 feet or less.