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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 724, L.D. 988, Bill, "An Act to Require the Maine State Retirement System to Release Part-time or Substitute Teachers and Coaches from Participation"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act to Exclude Coaches from Participation in the Maine State Retirement System'

Further amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Mandate preamble. This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, two thirds of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, this bill recognizes the inequities under current law involved in requiring public school coaches who do not otherwise meet the definition of teacher to join the Maine State Retirement System like other teachers while employed as coaches; and

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

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6 The bill excluded part-time and substitute teachers and
8 coaches who are not also teachers from membership in the Maine
10 State Retirement System. This amendment eliminates part-time and
12 substitute teachers from the bill. Under the amendment, coaches
employed by a public school who are not otherwise covered by the
definition of "teacher" may not be members of the retirement
system while working as coaches. The amendment also adds an
emergency preamble, emergency clause and a fiscal note to the
bill.