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L.D. 848 (Filing No. H- 21/a)

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#### **132ND LEGISLATURE**

#### FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 534, L.D. 848, "An Act Regarding the Retired County and Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health Insurance Program"

12 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the 13 following:

'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §286-M, sub-§12, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 636, Pt. A, §3, is amended to read:

12. Report. The division shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance and financial services matters in the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature, and biennially thereafter, on the status of the program, program participation, including enrollment data, and the financing of the program, including the status of the fund, expenditures from the fund, current and projected premium costs to the program and to program enrollees and a projection of funding needs for the next 5 years. The report must provide options, based on projections of future need, for changing the method of funding any state-paid premium subsidy, if such a subsidy is authorized by law, and employee contributions.

25 Open enrollment of Retired County and Municipal Law Sec. 2. 26 Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health Insurance Program 27 for current employees. Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 28 286-M, subsection 5, from October 1, 2025 to November 30, 2025, a county or municipal 29 law enforcement officer or a municipal firefighter who is employed in the position of a 30 county or municipal law enforcement officer or a municipal firefighter, who has held the 31 position for longer than 5 years and who previously elected not to enroll in the Retired 32 County and Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health 33 Insurance Program established in Title 5, section 286-M, subsection 1 may elect to enroll 34 in the program. If the eligible person enrolls in the program 5 or more years following the 35 effective date of hire, the eligible person shall contribute to the fund 3% of the eligible

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# **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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person's gross wages since the eligible person's effective date of hire to that person's date of enrollment in the program.

For the purposes of this section, "county or municipal law enforcement officer" and "municipal firefighter" have the same meanings as in Title 5, section 286-M, subsection 2, paragraphs A and H, respectively.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

#### SUMMARY

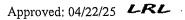
This amendment directs the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Office of Employee Health and Wellness to include in its required biennial report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance and financial services matters program participation enrollment data specific to the Retired County and Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health Insurance Program. The amendment also establishes a contribution rate for the open enrollment period of the program.

#### FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

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# **132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE**

## LD 848

### LR 1771(02)

An Act Regarding the Retired County and Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health Insurance Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment A'' (H-216) Committee: Labor Fiscal Note Required: Yes

## **Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - General Fund

#### **Fiscal Detail and Notes**

Any additional costs to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to implement the provisions of this bill are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.