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Maine State Retirement System

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Maine School Management Association Eligibility under 5 M.R.S.A. as
a Participating District in the Maine State Retirement System

Your memorandum of August 29, 1975 asks if the Maine School Management Association is eligible under the revised definition of local district to participate in the Maine Retirement System. (P.L. 1975 chap. 622 § 5) Local school districts are eligible for participation in the Maine State Retirement System. The Maine School Management Association appears to be both an association of employees of eligible local districts (superintendents and other management personnel) and an association of the local districts themselves, at least as represented by their managing school boards. Therefore the Maine School Management Association clearly qualifies under the revised definition of local district in 5 M.R.S.A. § 1001 sub-§ 11-a.

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