# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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#### ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

No. 1354

S. P. 395 In Senate, April 4, 1977 Referred to the Committee on State Government. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Hewes of Cumberland.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Authorizing Payroll Deduction for Contribution by State Employees to Maine Health Agencies.

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

5 MRSA § 16-A is enacted to read:

§ 16-A. Payroll deductions for Maine health agencies

The Commissioner of Finance and Administration is authorized to permit deductions from the salary of any state employee of any amount which that employee may specify in writing to the officer or the head of the department, commission or agency by whom or which he is employed, for the payment of a contribution to Maine health agencies as selected and approved by the Governor, providing that a state employee shall have the right to select one or more specific agencies to which the employee wishes to have his contribution credited. Any authorization to make any contribution may be withdrawn by the employee by giving notice in writing of the withdrawal to the officer, or the head of the department, commission or agency by whom or which he is then employed. The amount of any contribution shall be deducted from the salary of the employee authorizing the contribution and the commissioner shall transmit the sum so deducted to the appropriate Maine health agency.

For the purpose of this section, "health agencies" mean nonprofit state or national voluntary agencies dedicated to meeting health needs through programs including, but not limited to, basic medical research, education of the general public and the medical profession and community and patient services providing transportation, training, rehabilitation, counseling and other services.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would authorize payroll deductions from the salaries of state employees who wish to contribute to approved health agencies.