

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1332

H. P. 1093

House of Representatives, March 20, 1979

Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Mrs. Nelson of Portland, referred to the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Nelson of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Retirement Benefits of Superior Court Employees.

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

5 MRSA § 1092, sub-§ 14, ¶ F is enacted to read:

F. Notwithstanding this subsection, all funds held by the Maine State Retirement System to the credit of employees of the Superior Court who became employees of the State pursuant to Public Law 1975, chapters 383 and 408, shall be transferred on the records of the Maine State Retirement System to the state employee account. Creditable service rendered by these employees shall be the same as if the employment had been rendered as state employees.

Former employees of the Superior Court who retired subsequent to July 1, 1976, shall be treated in the same manner as if all of their creditable service had been as state employees with respect to the Maine State Retirement System rights and benefits.

The same benefit rights and protection shall apply to beneficiaries under the survivor benefit program and beneficiaries of former employees as are outlined in this subsection.

If, after a review of the actuary of the Maine State Retirement System, it is determined that additional funds are required to finance in full the accrued retirement benefits for those employees, then the actuary shall estimate the amount of additional funds necessary to provide full retirement benefits for the period prior to July 1, 1976, and the appropriate counties shall provide funds necessary to fulfill this obligation from the retirement allowance funds of the respective counties.

STATEMENT OF FACT

On July 1, 1976, pursuant to Public Law 1975, chapters 383 and 408, employees of the Superior Court, formerly county employees, became state employees and members of the Maine State Retirement System. When eligible for the retirement, these members will receive separate retirement benefits from the county for their creditable service as county employees and from the Maine State Retirement System for their creditable service as state employees. This bill will allow them retirement benefits as if all their creditable time had been as state employees.