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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-791)
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "**A**" to S.P. 707, L.D. 1843, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Pay Schedule of Physicians to Include Actuaries."

Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and inserting in its place the following: 'AN ACT to Amend the Pay Schedule of Physicians to Permit the Inclusion of Actuaries.'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting in its place the following:

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

Whereas, there is an urgent need for the Bureau of Insurance to hire full-time professional actuaries; and

Whereas, the statutory salary level for actuaries employed by the State is inadequate and effectively precludes their recruitment; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

P&SL 1975, c. 147, Pt. D, §3, Schedule Ia, last ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 712, Pt. E, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:
To relieve a similar critical recruitment problem, positions requiring actuaries may be assigned to this salary schedule.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment permits, rather than mandates, the administration to raise actuaries' pay to the physicians' pay scale. It leaves open the issue of whether a change in a pay range of a classification of state employees is a negotiable issue in collective bargaining.

It also returns the emergency preamble to the bill.