

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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S. P. 53

In Senate, January 6, 1981

Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator O'Leary of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

**AN ACT to Require Employee Organizations, Unions and Bargaining Agents in
the Private Sector to Negotiate on Behalf of Retired Employees.**

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

26 MRSA § 9, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 334, is amended to read:

§ 9. Negotiations on behalf of retired employees

Employee organizations, unions and bargaining agents in the private sector engaged in collective bargaining with employers ~~may~~ **shall** negotiate on behalf of retired and retired disabled former employees of the employer with respect to pensions, retirement benefits and other benefits which, as a part of wages and benefits related to employment, are, were or may be carried with retired employees into retirement.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent of this legislation is to bring the state law in line with the National Labor Relations Act.