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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 844

S. P. 300

In Senate, February 13, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Collins of Knox.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Concerning Health Insurance Plans under the State Retirement System.

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

- 5 MRSA § 285, sub-§ 1, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 625, § 19, is further amended to read:
- 1. Eligibility. Each appointed or elective officer or employee of the State of Maine who is eligible for membership in the Maine State Retirement System or the State Police Retirement System or a member of the judiciary or an employee of the Maine State Credit Union or of the Maine State Employees Association or of Council 74 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees or the Maine Turnpike Authority, including those employees in any of said the categories who on April 26, 1968 have retired and who were covered under plans of insurance which by virtue of this legislation will be terminated and thereafter any such employees in any of said the categories who retire and who on the date of their retirement are currently enrolled in this group accident and sickness or health insurance plan shall come within the purview of this section; provided that they have participated in the group accident and sickness or health insurance plan for a minimum of one year immediately prior to retirement, excepting that it shall not be extended to include members of the Maine State Municipal Association or the Maine Teachers Association or employees of counties and municipalities and instrumentalities thereof, including quasi-municipal corporations.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to amend the portion of the retirement law dealing with insurance plans to require that, in order for a retiree to be eligible after retirement, he must have participated in the plan for a minimum of one year immediately prior to retirement.