

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1800

7 H.P. 1283 House of Representatives, January 9, 1986

8 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council
pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

9 Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

10 Presented by Speaker Martin of Eagle Lake.

Cosponsored by Representative Beaulieu of Portland.

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12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX
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17 AN ACT to Amend the Safety Education
18 and Training Fund.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 26 MRSA §61, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1985, c.
23 372, Pt. A, §7, is amended to read:

24 2. Source of funds. The commissioner shall an-
25 nually assess a levy based on the total actual annual
26 workers' compensation paid losses, ~~excluding medical~~
27 ~~payments~~, paid in the previous calendar year by em-
28 ployers under Title 39, the Workers' Compensation
29 Act. As soon as practicable after July 1, 1985, the
30 commissioner shall assess upon and collect from each
31 insurance carrier licensed to do workers' compensa-
32 tion business in the State, and from each
33 self-insured employer authorized to make workers'
34 compensation payments directly to their employees, an
35 amount equal to 1/4 of 1% of the total workers' com-
36 pensation benefits, exclusive of medical payments,

1 paid by the insurance carrier or self-insured employ-
2 er during the previous calendar year. As soon as
3 practicable after July 1, 1986, and each year there-
4 after, the commissioner shall assess upon and collect
5 from each carrier and self-insured employer a sum
6 equal to that proportion of the current fiscal year's
7 appropriation, exclusive of any federal funds, for
8 the safety education and training division which the
9 total workers' compensation benefits, exclusive of
10 medical payments, paid by each carrier or each
11 self-insured employer, bears to the total of the ben-
12 efits paid by all carriers and self-insured employ-
13 ers, during the previous calendar year, except that
14 the total amount levied annually may not exceed 1/4
15 of 1% of the total of the compensation benefits paid
16 by all carriers and self-insured employers during the
17 previous calendar year.

18 STATEMENT OF FACT

19 This bill redefines the source of funds to imple-
20 ment the safety education and training programs to
21 avoid confusion caused in trying to separate medical
22 cost payments from total paid losses. This bill also
23 facilitates collection on the part of the Department
24 of Labor.

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