

## (NEW DRAFT OF H.P. 1490, L.D. 2040) SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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NO. 2535

H.P. 1852 Reported by Representative RICHARD from the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans and printed under Joint Rule 2. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Original bill sponsored by Representative ALIBERTI of Lewiston. Cosponsored by Representatives CLARK of Brunswick, JALBERT of Lisbon and Senator CLARK of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-EIGHT

AN ACT to Ensure the Complete Payment of Health Insurance Premiums for Teachers over a Certain Age.

5 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as 6 follows:

7 Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13451, sub-§3, as enacted by 8 PL 1987, c. 450, §§2, 3, is repealed and the following 9 enacted in its place:

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- 1 <u>3. Payment by State. The State through the Maine</u> 2 <u>State Retirement System shall pay:</u>
  - A. Ten percent of only the retired teacher member's share of this insurance; or

B. One hundred percent of only the retired teacher member's share of this insurance, if the retired teacher resides in Maine, is over 70 years of age and has 25 years of creditable service, as defined under Title 5, section 17001, subsection 10, as a teacher in a public school in Maine, provided that the rate paid by the State does not exceed 100% of the share for a retired teacher who is 65 years of age or over and who is eligible to receive Medicare.

15 Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are 16 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the 17 purposes of this Act.

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- 19EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL20SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
- 21 Teachers' Retirement
- 22 All Other

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#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This new draft would provide that the State will make 100% of the payment of the health insurance coverage for retired teachers over age 70 with 25 years of creditable service. The State payment would be limited to 100% of the Medicare Companion Plan.

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