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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative GWADOSKY of Fairfield.

Cosponsored by Representative PARENT of Benton, Senator MATTHEWS of Kennebec and Representative BURKE of Vassalboro.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Clarify the Responsibilities of School Boards.

(EMERGENCY)



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

5 Whereas, local school boards are prepared to take immediate
action to participate in group self-insurance programs and plans
7 for workers' compensation authorized by this legislation; and

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

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

17 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §1001, sub-§5,** as enacted by PL 1981, c.
693, §§5 and 8, is repealed and the following enacted in its
19 place:

21 5. Insurance premiums and employee benefits. They may:

23 A. Pay the premiums on life, health, disability, accident,
hospitalization, major medical and such other types of
25 insurance as may be provided to employees and their families
from time to time;

27 B. Provide direct reimbursements of the costs and expenses
incurred by employees and their family members that may be
29 covered under any of the insurance plans or programs
specified in paragraph A;

31 C. Pay premiums on liability insurance for employees and
school officials; and

33 D. Provide such other employee benefits to their employees
as any school board determines from time to time.

37 **Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §1001, sub-§5-A,** as enacted by PL 1985, c.
713, §3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

41 5-A. Public self-funded pools. Subject to the authority
provided in subsection 5-B, they may participate in a public
43 self-funded pool created under Title 30-A, chapter 117.

45 **Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §1001, sub-§5-B** is enacted to read:

47 5-B. Workers' compensation group self-insurance. They may
participate or cause their school units to participate in a group
49 self-insurance program or plan for workers' compensation
established under and operated in accordance with the provisions
51 of the Workers' Compensation Act.

