

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1534

House of Representatives, January 5, 1990

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

Reference to the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

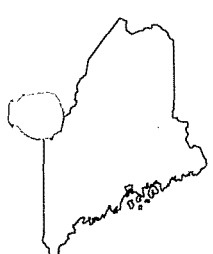
Presented by Representative AULT of Wayne.

Cosponsored by Representative NORTON of Winthrop, Senator KANY of Kennebec and Senator CLARK of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

**An Act to Require the State to Pay a Portion of the Health Insurance
Premiums for Dependents of Retired State Employees.**



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

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4 5 MRSA §285, sub-§8, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 391, §§4 and 7, is amended to read:

6 8. **Payment by Maine State Retirement System.** The Maine
8 State Retirement System shall pay 100% of ~~only~~ the retiree's
10 share of the premiums for this insurance for persons who were
12 previously eligible for this insurance pursuant to subsection 1,
14 paragraph A and who have subsequently become eligible pursuant to
16 subsection 1, paragraph G. The system must pay a portion of the
retiree's dependents' share of premiums that is equal to the
portion of those premiums which are being paid for active
employees' dependents through the collective bargaining agreement
currently in effect.

18 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

20 This bill requires the State to pay a portion of the health
22 insurance premiums for dependents of retired state employees that
24 is equal to the portion of those premiums which are currently
paid for dependents of active employees through the collective
bargaining agreement.

26 Currently, the law requires that the State pay 100% of only
28 active and retired employees' share of health insurance
30 premiums. No provision is made for dependent coverage, except
32 that the State pays 50% of the premiums of Legislators'
dependents. Through collective bargaining, however, the State is
required to pay 60% of dependents' medical, but not dental,
premiums for active employees.