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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MANNING of Portland. Cosponsored by Representative JALBERT of Lisbon and Representative HANDY of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Authorize Employees of a Participating Local District to Participate in a Qualified Alternative Pension Plan.

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	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §18801, sub-§§1 and 2, as enacted by PL 1989, c.
4	811, §3, are amended to read:
б	1. Plan content. Benefits provided by the plan must be selected from benefits included in chapter <u>423, chapter</u> 425 or
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10	A. Service retirement benefits, including:
12	(1) Several plans, with levels of benefits to meet the needs of various classes of employees and employers; and
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16	(2) Portability of benefits when a member changes plans or employers;
18	B. Death benefits;
20	C. Disability retirement benefits;
22	D. Compulsory andoptionalmembership requirements;and except:
24	(1) Optional membership for those employees permitted
26	optional membership under chapter 425; and
28	(2) Optional membership for those employees who are not subject to the municipal public employees labor
30	relations laws contained in Title 26, chapter 9-A; and
32	E. A defined contribution plan consistent with the United States Internal Revenue Code.
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36	2. Amendments. Any benefit provision selected from chapter <u>423, chapter</u> 425 or this chapter to be included in the plan that is subsequently amended is not considered to have been amended
38	for purposes of the plan until the rule that established the plan is amended to include the amended version of the benefit
40	provision.
42	Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §18806, sub-§3 is enacted to read:
44	3. Ancillary benefits. The plan must include disability benefits and death benefits for those employees who choose not to
46	be members under section 18801, subsection 1, paragraph D and who participate in the defined contribution plan.
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STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to permit employees of participating local districts who are not subject to the laws governing municipal public employees labor relations to choose whether or not to be members of the Maine State Retirement System as part of the defined benefit plan and to participate in the defined contribution plan offered under the participating local district consolidated plan. The bill also provides for use of benefit provisions from the chapter relating to state employees and teachers in the participating local district consolidated plan.

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