

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 680

House of Representatives, March 16, 1993

An Act to Clarify the Definition of Teacher under the Laws of the Maine State Retirement System.

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative PFEIFFER of Brunswick.
Cosponsored by Representatives: OLIVER of Portland, RICHARDSON of Portland, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, Senator: AMERO of Cumberland.

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

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4 Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17001, sub-§13, ¶F is enacted to read:

6 F. For a teacher who, as provided by subsection 42, serves
8 as president of a recognized or certified bargaining agent
10 representing teachers for which released time from teaching
12 duties for performance of the functions of president has
14 been negotiated in a collective bargaining agreement between
16 the collective bargaining agent and the teacher's school
administrative unit, "earnable compensation" includes
compensation paid for the released time, except that the
amount of that compensation included in "earnable
compensation" may not be more than the compensation that the
teacher would have been paid had the teacher remained that
same amount of time in the teacher's teaching position.

18 Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §17001, sub-§42, as amended by PL 1991, c. 360,
20 §2, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to
read:

22 "Teacher" also includes a person who, subsequent to July 1, 1981,
24 has served as president of a recognized or certified bargaining
26 agent representing teachers for which released time from teaching
28 duties for performance of the functions of president has been
30 negotiated in a collective bargaining agreement between the
collective bargaining agent and the teacher's school
administrative unit and for whom contributions related to the
portion of the person's salary attributable to the released time
have been paid as part of the regular payroll of the school
administrative unit.

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34 STATEMENT OF FACT

36 This bill ensures that there is no reduction of earnable
38 compensation and creditable service for teachers affected by the
40 Maine Retirement System for released time spent performing the
42 part-time duties of the office of president of a certified
44 bargaining agent. The released time provision must be negotiated
as part of a collective bargaining agreement and appropriate
withholdings must be made to the Maine State Retirement System by
the school administrative unit on the part-time president's
earnings.