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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
117TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 71, L.D. 159, Bill, "An Act to Require the State to Pay Medicare Costs for Retired State Employees and Retired Teachers"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

'Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

|  | <b>1995-96</b>   | <b>1996-97</b>     |
|--|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF</b>                |                  |                    |
| <b>Salary Plan</b>   |                  |                    |
| Personal Services  | \$825,000        | \$1,100,000        |
| Provides funds to pay the Medicare B premiums for retired state employees. |                  |                    |
| <b>DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>                 |                  |                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <u>\$825,000</u> | <u>\$1,100,000</u> |

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 71, L.D. 159

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**EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

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All Other \$1,497,800 \$1,997,050

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Provides funds to pay the Medicare B premiums for retired teachers.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
TOTAL**

\$1,497,800 \$1,997,050

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**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

\$2,322,800 \$3,097,050

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**Sec. 4. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the Highway Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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**1995-96 1996-97**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL  
SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

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**Salary Plan**

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Personal Services \$247,500 \$330,000

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Provides funds to pay the Medicare B premiums for retired state employees.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND  
FINANCIAL SERVICES**

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**TOTAL**

\$247,500 \$330,000

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Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

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**FISCAL NOTE**

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**1995-96 1996-97**

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**APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

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General Fund \$2,322,800 \$3,097,050

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Highway Fund 247,500 330,000

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The requirement that the State pay Medicare B premiums for retired teachers and state employees will increase employer contributions to the Maine State Retirement System for state

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2 employees and teachers during the current biennium by a total of  
\$3,147,800 in fiscal year 1995-96 and \$4,197,050 in fiscal year  
1996-97.

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6 Additional General Fund appropriations of \$1,497,800 and  
\$1,997,050 in fiscal years 1995-96 and 1996-97, respectively, are  
required for the teachers' retirement portion. General Fund  
8 appropriations of \$825,000 and \$1,100,000 and Highway Fund  
allocations of \$247,500 and \$330,000 in fiscal years 1995-96 and  
10 1996-97, respectively, are required in the salary plan reserve  
accounts to fund the increases for state employees. The cost to  
12 accounts in other funds, estimated to be \$577,500 and \$770,000,  
may require increased allotments to meet these additional  
14 personal services expenditures.'

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**STATEMENT OF FACT**

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20 This amendment adds appropriation and allocation sections  
and a fiscal note to the bill.