

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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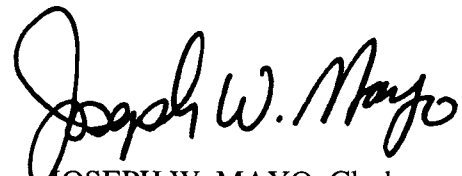
House of Representatives, February 28, 1995

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**An Act to Provide Fully Paid Health Insurance Benefits to Retired Teachers.**

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Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: JOY of Crystal, STEDMAN of Hartland, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, HALL of Piscataquis.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13451, sub-§3**, as repealed and replaced by  
PL 1991, c. 447, §2, is amended to read:

6 **3. Payment by State.** The State through the Maine State  
Retirement System shall pay 25% 100% of the retired teacher  
8 members' share of this insurance.

10 **Sec. 2. Appropriation.** The following funds are appropriated  
from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

12 **1995-96** **1996-97**  
14 **EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**  
16 **Teachers' Retirement**

18 All Other \$6,177,515 \$9,756,354  
20 Provides funds to increase  
22 the State's contribution for  
retired teachers health  
24 insurance to 100%, effective  
October 1, 1995.

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28 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

30 This bill provides for funds to increase the State's  
contribution for group accident, sickness or health insurance on  
32 behalf of eligible retired teachers. The State presently  
provides 100% payment of group accident and sickness or health  
34 insurance on behalf of state employees. This bill provides  
parity between retired teachers and retired state employees by  
36 increasing the percentage of state payment of health insurance  
for retired teachers to 100%.