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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 866, L.D. 1183, Bill, "An Act to Implement a Sliding Scale Salary Plan for Legislators"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §2-B is enacted to read:

§2-B. Sliding scale salary option

In lieu of the salary established in section 2, a Legislator may choose to receive a salary to be determined by rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services based on a financial statement submitted by each member and a sliding salary scale. The department shall devise a sliding scale and a financial statement to be completed and submitted to the department by each member electing to participate in the sliding scale salary plan by December 1st after each general election. Rules adopted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services under this section are major substantive rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

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FISCAL NOTE

The additional costs associated with adopting rules to create a sliding salary scale for legislators can be absorbed by the Bureau of Human Resources within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services utilizing existing budgeted resources. If the intent of the bill is to require the bureau to undertake a more thorough review of legislative salary issues, General Fund appropriations may be required.

The effect that this sliding salary scale will have on General Fund appropriations to the Legislature can not be determined at this time.

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the original bill and makes the sliding scale salary optional for Legislators. It also adds a fiscal note.