

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 919

H.P. 663

House of Representatives, February 2, 1999

**An Act to Require the State to Pay Medicare Costs for Retired State Employees and Retired Teachers.**

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Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative SAMSON of Jay.  
Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin and  
Representatives: BELANGER of Caribou, BERRY of Livermore, BRYANT of Dixfield,  
HATCH of Skowhegan, MATTHEWS of Winslow, McKEE of Wayne, Senators:  
CATHCART of Penobscot, MILLS of Somerset.

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

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4       Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §285, sub-§11 is enacted to read:

6       11. Supplemental coverage; Medicare-eligible retirees. For  
8       those retirees who are eligible for coverage under this section  
10       and who are also eligible for Medicare, the Maine State  
12       Retirement System shall pay 100% of the retirees' share of the  
14       premiums for Medicare Part B only.

16       Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §13451, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

18       6. Supplemental coverage; Medicare-eligible retired  
20       teachers. For those retired teachers who are eligible for  
22       coverage under this section and who are also eligible for  
24       Medicare, the Maine State Retirement System shall pay 100% of the  
26       retired teachers' share of the premiums for Medicare Part B only.

#### SUMMARY

28       This bill requires the State to pay Medicare Part B premiums  
30       for state retirees and retired teachers.