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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 607, L.D. 1730, Bill, "An Act to Increase Health Insurance Benefits for Retired Educators"

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 3 in the 3rd line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "January 1, 2000" and inserting in its place the following: 'July 1, 2000'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

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

2000-01

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Retired Teachers' Health Insurance

All Other \$913,500

Provides funds to increase the State's contribution for health insurance premiums for retired educators to 35% on July 1, 2000 and to 40% on January 1, 2001.

Sec. 3. Retroactivity. This Act applies retroactively to July 1, 2000.'

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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FISCAL NOTE

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2000-01

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APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

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General Fund

\$913,500

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This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$913,500 in fiscal year 2000-01 for the Retired Teachers' Health Insurance account within the Department of Education to increase the State's contribution for health insurance premiums for retired educators from 30% to 35% on July 1, 2000 and from 35% to 40% on January 1, 2001. These amounts are based on General Fund appropriations included in Public Law 1999, chapter 16, the 2000-2001 "current services" budget, and represent the State's 30% share of the cost of the premiums.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment changes the date proposed in the bill on which the State will begin to pay 35% of the cost of retired educators' health insurance from January 1, 2000 to July 1, 2000. The amendment also adds an appropriation section and a fiscal note to the bill.

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