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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 141, L.D. 152, Bill, "An Act to Require the State to Pay Medicare Costs for Retired Employees, Retired Teachers and Retirees in Participating Local Districts"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

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

	2001-02	2002-03
ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Accident-Sickness-Health Insurance		
Personal Services	\$1,019,700	\$1,359,600
Provides funds for the State to pay 100% of the retirees' share of Medicare Part B premiums for state retirees.		
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES		
TOTAL	\$1,019,700	\$1,359,600
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF		
Retired Teachers Health Insurance		
All Other	\$1,917,000	\$2,556,000

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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2 Provides funds for the State
3 to pay 100% of the retirees'
4 share of Medicare Part B
5 premiums for retired teachers.

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7	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION		
8	TOTAL	<u>\$1,917,000</u>	<u>\$2,556,000</u>
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10	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$2,936,700</u>	<u>\$3,915,600</u>

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

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17	ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL		
18	SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		

19 **Accident-Sickness-Health Insurance**

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22	Personal Services	\$449,595	\$599,460

23 Provides funds for the State
24 to pay 100% of the retirees'
25 share of Medicare Part B
26 premiums for state retirees.'

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

29 **FISCAL NOTE**

30		2001-02	2002-03
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32 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

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35	General Fund	\$2,936,700	\$3,915,600
36	Highway Fund	449,595	599,460

37 The requirement that the State pay Medicare Part B premiums
38 for retired teachers and state employees will increase employer
39 contributions for retiree health insurance for fiscal years
40 2001-02 and 2002-03 by a total of \$4,234,500 and \$5,646,000,
41 respectively.

42 This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$1,917,000
43 and \$2,556,000 in fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03, respectively,
44 for the teachers' portion. This bill also includes General Fund
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2 appropriations of \$1,019,700 and \$1,359,600 and Highway Fund
3 allocations of \$449,595 and \$599,460 in fiscal years 2001-02 and
4 2002-03, respectively, to be set aside in the salary plan reserve
5 accounts to fund the increases for General Fund and Highway Fund
6 employees. The costs for employees paid by other funds,
7 estimated to be \$848,205 and \$1,130,940, respectively, may
8 require increased allotments to meet these additional personal
9 services expenditures.

10 The additional costs for the State to pay Medicare Part B
11 premiums to Medicare eligible retirees in participating local
12 districts can not be determined.'

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SUMMARY

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This amendment adds an appropriation section, an allocation section and a fiscal note to the bill.