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### STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 120TH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1526, L.D. 2030, Bill, "An Act to Establish the Administrative Operating Budget for the Maine State Retirement System for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2003"

Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and 20 before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17001, sub-§42, ¶A, as repealed and replaced by PL 1989, c. 878, Pt. D, §4, is amended to read:

A. Any employee of a public school who fills any position that the Department of Education requires be filled by a person who holds the appropriate certification or license required for that position and:

30 Holds appropriate certification from (1)the Department of Education, including an employee whose duty consists of either the setup, maintenance or 32 upgrading of a school computer system the use of which is to assist in the introduction of new learning to 34 students or providing school faculty orientation and training related to use of the computer system for 36 educational purposes; or

(2) Holds an appropriate license issued to a
40 professional employee by a licensing agency of the State;

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §17001, sub-§42, ¶B-1 is enacted to read:

46 <u>B-1. Any employee of a public school who holds</u> 46 <u>certification from the Department of Education, who is in a</u> <u>position for which certification is not required by the</u>

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2 Department of Education and whose duty in that position 2 consists of either the setup, maintenance or upgrading of a 3 school computer system the use of which is to assist in the 4 introduction of new learning to students or providing school 5 faculty orientation and training related to use of the 6 computer system for educational purposes.'

8 Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read 10 consecutively.

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## FISCAL NOTE

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This amendment will expand teacher membership in the Maine State Retirement System to include positions not currently 16 included in teacher membership and will allow creditable service 18 for duties performed by certified teachers to which creditable service is not currently attached and include compensation for these duties in earnable compensation. This benefit change will 20 increase the normal cost component of the employer retirement rate, resulting in increased employer contributions to the Maine 22 State Retirement System for state employees and teachers during the current biennium. The amount can not be determined at this 24 time. 26

Because the amendment, as written, does not apply to either 28 retirees or to periods of time served by active teachers before the effective date of the bill, this amendment does not create an 30 unfunded liability.

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#### SUMMARY

36 This amendment includes within the definition of "teacher" under the Maine State Retirement System a person certified by the 38 Department of Education whose duty consists of either the setup, maintenance or upgrading of a school computer system the use of 40 which is to assist in the introduction of new learning to students or providing school faculty orientation and training 42 related to the use of the computer system for educational purposes. The definition applies to those positions for which

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to H.P. 1526, L.D. 2030 HOUSE AMENDMENT certification is required and those positions for which certification is not required. 2 4 6 SPONSORED BY: (Representative 8 BUNKER) Kossuth Township 10 TOWN: 12

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