

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Minority

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
122ND LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 308, L.D. 423, Bill, "An Act To Allow Food Service Workers for Public Schools To Collect Unemployment Benefits"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Mandate preamble. This measure requires one or more local units of government to expand or modify activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues but does not provide funding for at least 90% of those expenditures. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 21, 2/3 of all of the members elected to each House have determined it necessary to enact this measure.'

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, adds a mandate preamble to the bill.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED  
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



# 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 423

LR 0053(02)

## An Act To Allow Food Service Workers for Public Schools To Collect Unemployment Benefits

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "**

**Committee: Labor**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

**Minority Report**

### Fiscal Note

Exempted State Mandate

#### State Mandate

##### New or Expanded Activity

Providing unemployment benefits to food service workers employed in public schools between academic years is a mandate to local school administrative units, a majority of which are direct reimbursement employers. The Department of Labor has determined that approximately 2,700 food service workers were employed by educational establishments as of September 2004. Assuming that all of the 2,700 food service workers were employed by local school administrative units, and the weekly unemployment benefit was \$171.00, the total cost to the local units would be \$3,700,000. Pursuant to the Mandate Preamble, the two-thirds vote of all members elected to each House exempts the State from the constitutional requirement to fund 90% of the additional local costs.

##### Unit Affected

School

##### Costs

Significant