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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
122ND LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "D" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 706, L.D. 1021, Bill, "An Act To Implement Task Force Recommendations Relating to Parity and Portability of Benefits for Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters"

Amend the amendment in Part A in section 2 in subsection 11-A in the 5th line (page 1, line 45 in amendment) by striking out the following: "July" and inserting in its place the following: 'January'

Further amend the amendment in Part A in section 2 in subsection 11-A in the 11th line (page 2, line 5 in amendment) by striking out the following: "July" and inserting in its place the following: 'January'

Further amend the amendment in Part A in section 2 in subsection 11-A in paragraph A in subparagraph (1) in the 2nd line (page 2, line 16 in amendment) by striking out the following: "May 1, 2007" and inserting in its place the following: 'November 1, 2006'

Further amend the amendment in Part A in section 2 in subsection 11-A in paragraph A in subparagraph (1) in the last line (page 2, line 17 in amendment) by striking out the following: "July" and inserting in its place the following: 'January'

Further amend the amendment in Part A in section 2 in subsection 11-A in paragraph A in subparagraph (2) in the 2nd line (page 2, line 20 in amendment) by striking out the following: "May 1, 2007" and inserting in its place the following: 'November 1, 2006'

Further amend the amendment in Part A in section 2 in subsection 11-A in paragraph A in subparagraph (3) in the 4th

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line (page 2, line 28 in amendment) by striking out the
following: "July" and inserting in its place the following:
'January'

Further amend the amendment in Part A in section 3 in §286-M
in subsection 5 in the 9th line (page 6, line 1 in amendment) by
striking out the following: "July" and inserting in its place
the following: 'January'

Further amend the amendment in Part A in section 3 in §286-M
in subsection 6 in paragraph A in the 10th line (page 6, line 43
in amendment) by striking out the following: "July" and
inserting in its place the following: 'January'

Further amend the amendment in Part A in section 3 in §286-M
in subsection 6 in paragraph B in the 11th line (page 7, line 18
in amendment) by striking out the following: "July" and
inserting in its place the following: 'January'

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

'Further amend the bill by adding after Part B the following:

'PART C

**Sec. C-1. Distribution of Fund for a Healthy Maine deallocation;
report required.** The State Budget Officer shall review the
programs receiving funds from the Fund for a Healthy Maine and
shall make adjustments to each account receiving funding in the
All Other line category pursuant to the deallocation in the
Department of Administrative and Financial Services included in
section 4 of this Part. The State Budget Officer shall first
apply any unexpended balance in the Fund for a Healthy Maine on
June 30, 2006 before making any adjustments. These adjustments
must be calculated in proportion to each account's allocation in
the All Other line category in relation to the total All Other
allocation for Fund for a Healthy Maine programs.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the State Budget
Officer shall transfer the identified amounts by financial order
upon approval of the Governor. These transfers are considered
adjustments to allocations in fiscal year 2006-07. The State
Budget Officer shall report on the distribution of savings to the
joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction
over appropriations and financial affairs and the joint standing
committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and
human services matters by January 1, 2007.

2 **Sec. C-2. Fund for a Healthy Maine; alternative funding sources.**
 4 In the event that alternative sources of funding are identified
 6 to offset the deallocation to the Fund for a Healthy Maine that
 is included in section 4 of this Part, legislation proposing to
 redistribute the amounts identified must be submitted to the
 First Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

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 10 **Sec. C-3. Funding from the Fund For a Healthy Maine; fiscal years**
 after 2006-07. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, funding
 12 for State premium subsidies under this Act for fiscal years after
 2006-07 must be paid from allocations from the Fund for a Healthy
 Maine.

14 **Sec. C-4. Appropriations and allocations.** The following
 16 appropriations and allocations are made.

18 **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

20 **Fund for a Healthy Maine 0921**

22 Initiative: Reduces funding to offset first-year, 6-month costs
 24 of providing subsidies for health insurance coverage for retired
 law enforcement officers and firefighters. The State Budget
 Officer shall calculate the amount of the reduction to be
 26 distributed to the individual program accounts and transfer those
 amounts by financial order.

28	FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE	2005-06	2006-07
30	All Other	\$0	(\$1,554,995)
32	FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE TOTAL	\$0	(\$1,554,995)

34 **FHM - Retired Law Enforcement Officers and**
 36 **Firefighters Health Insurance Subsidy NEW**

38 Initiative: Allocates funds for the first-year, 6-month costs of
 providing subsidies for health insurance coverage for retired law
 enforcement officers and firefighters.

40	FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE	2005-06	2006-07
42	All Other	\$0	\$1,554,995
44	FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE TOTAL	\$0	\$1,554,995

46 **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**
 48 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

48		2005-06	2006-07
50	FUND FOR A HEALTHY MAINE	\$0	\$0

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L.D. 1021

DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS \$0 \$0'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment changes the effective date of health
insurance coverage under the program from July 1, 2007 to January
1, 2007. This amendment provides funding for the program by
allocating funds from the Fund for a Healthy Maine.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

SPONSORED BY: Richard A. Nass
(Senator R. NASS)

COUNTY: York

SENATE AMENDMENT

**122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE****LD 1021****LR 0263(07)****An Act To Implement Task Force Recommendations Relating to Parity and Portability of Benefits for Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters****Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "D" to Committee Amendment "B"****Sponsor: Sen. Nass****Fiscal Note Required: Yes****Fiscal Note**

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	(\$3,413,255)	(\$3,810,148)
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$0	\$0	\$3,413,255	\$3,810,148
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	(\$3,413,255)	(\$3,810,148)
Fund for a Healthy Maine	\$0	\$0	\$3,413,255	\$3,810,148

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The amendment changes the effective date of the health insurance subsidy program from July 1, 2007 to January 1, 2007, and funds the cost of the subsidy during this six-month period with an allocation from the Fund for a Healthy Maine (FHM) that is itself funded by an across-the board deallcation to programs in the FHM. The amendment funds the 2008-2009 costs of the subsidy from FHM funds, thereby eliminating the General Fund costs of the subsidy.

Funding Summary - as Amended

	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
Total Estimated Subsidy	\$2,061,245	\$4,534,739	\$4,988,212
Estimated Administrative Costs	\$81,000	\$109,392	\$111,894
Total Estimated Costs	\$2,142,245	\$4,644,131	\$5,100,106
Estimated Collections from 1.5% Assessment	(\$587,250)	(\$1,230,876)	(\$1,289,958)
FHM Allocation	(\$1,554,995)	\$0	\$0
FHM Subsidy Net of Assessments	\$0	\$3,413,255	\$3,810,148