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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

124TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 401, L.D. 1083, Bill, "An Act Regarding the Payment of Medicare Parts B and D Premiums for Employees Eligible for Medicare"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act Regarding the Payment of Medicare Part B Premiums for Employees Eligible for Medicare'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §285, sub-§14 is enacted to read:

14. Employees eligible for Medicare. Notwithstanding subsection 7, if an active employee eligible for Medicare elects to enroll in Medicare, the State shall pay 100% of the employee's share of the premiums for Medicare Part B until such time as the employee enrolls as an eligible retiree pursuant to this section.'

SUMMARY

The amendment replaces the bill. The amendment requires the State to pay 100% of an active employee's premiums for Medicare Part B if an active employee eligible for Medicare elects to enroll in Medicare. The amendment requires the State to continue to pay the Medicare Part B premiums until the employee enrolls as an eligible retiree.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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LD 1083

LR 1836(02)

An Act Regarding the Payment of Medicare Parts B and D Premiums for Employees Eligible for Medicare

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

Committee: Insurance and Financial Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Multiple Funds

Potential current biennium savings - Multiple Funds

(Net impact not determined)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Assumes a potential increased cost to the State Employee Health Benefit Plan if active employees eligible for Medicare elect to enroll in Medicare and the State pays 100% of the Medicare Part B premium for these employees. Assumes a potential savings to the State Employee Health Benefit Plan if Medicare covers health care costs for these employees now paid by the Plan. The net fiscal impact for each fiscal year will depend on the timing and amount of Medicare premiums paid and the timing and amount of offsetting costs assumed by Medicare.