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In Senate, January 31, 2023

**An Act to Clarify Coverage for Retired County and Municipal Law
Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Under the State
Employer Group Health Plan**

Reference to the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services
suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §285, sub-§1, ¶K**, as amended by PL 2019, c. 424, §2, is further
3 amended to read:

4 K. Any employee of a school administrative unit as defined in Title 20-A, section 1,
5 subsection 26 or of an educational advisory organization as described in Title 30-A,
6 section 5724, subsection 9; ~~and~~

7 **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §285, sub-§1, ¶L**, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 424, §3, is amended
8 to read:

9 L. Any employee of an academy approved for tuition purposes in accordance with
10 Title 20-A, sections 2951 to 2955; ~~and~~

11 **Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §285, sub-§1, ¶M** is enacted to read:

12 M. A retired county or municipal law enforcement officer or retired municipal
13 firefighter who meets the requirements for coverage under subsection 11-A.

14 **Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §285, sub-§1-B**, as amended by PL 2019, c. 424, §4, is further
15 amended to read:

16 **1-B. Ineligibility.** Except as provided in subsection 1, paragraphs K ~~and~~, L and M
17 and subsection 11-A, members of the Maine Municipal Association and active employees
18 of counties and municipalities and instrumentalities thereof, including quasi-municipal
19 corporations, are not eligible to participate in the group health plan under this section.

20 **SUMMARY**

21 This bill clarifies that a retired county or municipal law enforcement officer or retired
22 municipal firefighter is eligible to enroll in the group health plan offered to state employees
23 if the officer or firefighter meets the requirements for the Retired County and Municipal
24 Law Enforcement Officers and Municipal Firefighters Health Insurance Program.