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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

131ST LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S P 707, L D 1760, "An Act to Include Certain Crisis Outreach and Crisis Services Workers Under the 1998 Special Plan for Retirement"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 10 and inserting the following

Sec. 10. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Crisis Outreach Program Z216**

Initiative Provides ongoing funds for the prospective costs of certain employees within the department being allowed to participate in the 1998 Special Plan effective October 1, 2023

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
Personal Services	\$61,229	\$84,084
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$61,229</u>	<u>\$84,084</u>

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2023-24	2024-25
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GENERAL FUND	\$61,229	\$84,084
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$61,229</u>	<u>\$84,084</u>

RETIREMENT SYSTEM, MAINE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Retirement System - Retirement Allowance Fund 0085

Initiative Provides one-time funds for the increase in the unfunded actuarial liability as a result of allowing the service retirement benefits for certain employees within the

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1	Department of Health and Human Services earned under the regular state employee and		
2	teacher plan to be calculated under the 1998 Special Plan		
3	GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
4	All Other	\$1,597,012	\$0
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6	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$1,597,012</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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8	RETIREMENT SYSTEM, MAINE PUBLIC		
9	EMPLOYEES		
10	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2023-24	2024-25
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12	GENERAL FUND	\$1,597,012	\$0
13			
14	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$1,597,012</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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16	SECTION TOTALS	2023-24	2024-25
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18	GENERAL FUND	\$1,658,241	\$84,084
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20	SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$1,658,241</u>	<u>\$84,084</u>

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22 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
23 number to read consecutively

24 **SUMMARY**

25 This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment removes the
26 ability for an employee employed on October 1, 2023 who has responsibility for providing
27 crisis outreach and crisis services to adults with developmental disabilities or intellectual
28 disabilities in a community-based or residential setting to elect to participate in the 1998
29 Special Plan of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System. The United States
30 Internal Revenue Service does not permit such elections by employees in a qualified plan.
31 The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

32 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

33 (See attached)

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LD 1760

LR 688(02)

An Act to Include Certain Crisis Outreach and Crisis Services Workers Under the 1998 Special Plan for Retirement

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A(5-199)"
 Committee: Labor and Housing
 Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$1,658,241	\$84,084	\$87,111	\$90,247
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$1,658,241	\$84,084	\$87,111	\$90,247

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation adds persons employed in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) on October 1, 2023, or hired thereafter, who provide crisis outreach and services to adults with developmental disabilities or intellectual disabilities in a community-based or residential setting, except for an institutional setting to the 1998 Special Plan and allows the service retirement benefits already earned by those employees under the State Employee and Teacher program to be calculated under the 1998 Special Plan. This bill includes General Fund appropriations totaling \$1,658,241 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$84,084 in fiscal year 2024-25 for the cost of this provision.

Of the total General Fund appropriations included in the bill, \$1,597,012 is provided on a one-time basis in fiscal year 2023-24 to the Retirement Allowance Fund within the Maine Public Employees Retirement System for the increase in the unfunded actuarial liability created as a result of the retroactive provision in this bill. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 18-A, unfunded liabilities may not be created except those that result from experience losses. General Fund appropriations of \$61,229 and \$84,084 in fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25, respectively, are provided to Crisis Outreach Program within DHHS for the increase in the employer's retirement contributions on a prospective basis.