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

Sec. 1. 11 MRSA §9-104, sub-§5, as reenacted by PL 1977, c. 696, §121, is amended to read:

(5) To a transfer by a government or governmental subdivision or agency other than an Indian tribal government; or

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective June 26, 1987.

CHAPTER 450

S.P. 522 — L.D. 1637

AN ACT to Provide an Accident and Sickness or Health Insurance Program to Retired Teachers.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA c. 421, sub-c. IV, art. 7 is enacted to read:

ARTICLE 7

STATE RETIRED TEACHERS' HEALTH INSURANCE FUND

§17411. Establishment

The State Retired Teachers' Health Insurance Fund is established to which shall be credited all money provided by the State to pay premiums for group accident insurance and group sickness or health insurance for persons eligible for these payments under Title 20-A, section 13451.

§17412. Payment of premium

All premiums for group accident insurance or group sickness or health insurance paid by the retirement system for retired teachers shall be paid from the State Retired Teachers' Health Insurance Fund.

§17413. Administration of fund

1. Estimate. Biennially the board shall estimate the amount of money which is deemed necessary to be paid into the State Retired Teachers' Health Insurance Fund during the upcoming biennium to provide for the payment of retired teachers' health insurance premiums and the State shall pay that amount to the State Retired Teachers' Health Insurance Fund for that purpose.

2. Unexpended balance. Any unexpended balance may not lapse, but shall constitute a continuous carrying account.

Sec. 2. 20-A c. 505-A is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 505-A

RETIRED TEACHERS' HEALTH INSURANCE

§13451. Group accident and sickness or health insurance for retired teachers

Group accident and sickness or health insurance shall be available to retired teachers as defined in Title 5, section 17001, subsection 42, subject to the following.

1. Eligibility; retired teacher members. Any retired teacher who receives a retirement benefit from the Maine State Retirement System shall be eligible for group accident and sickness or health insurance, provided that the retired teacher also meets the eligibility requirements for participation imposed by the group plan that governed the teacher last as an active teacher and participated in the plan for one year immediately prior to retirement or October 1, 1987, whichever comes last. Retired teachers may not be required to maintain a dues paying membership in any organization as a requirement for participation in a group health insurance plan under this subsection.

2. Master policy certificates. The insurance company or companies or nonprofit organizations, or both, shall furnish the usual master policy and certificates. The original master policy and certificate shall be held by the organization offering the insurance plan and the Commissioner of Administration shall hold a certified copy. Each insured retired teacher-member shall receive a certificate setting forth the benefits to which entitled, to whom payable, to whom claims shall be submitted and summarizing the provisions of the policy principally affecting the retired teacher-member.

3. Payment by State. The State through the Maine State Retirement System shall pay 10% of only the retired teacher members' share of this insurance.

Sec. 3. Effective date. This Act shall take effect October 1, 1987.

Effective October 1, 1987.

CHAPTER 451

H.P. 1290 — L.D. 1768

AN ACT to Prohibit Initial Service Charges by Public Utilities.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, electric utilities have been assessing initial service charges since May 1, 1987; and