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Public Law 2021, chapter 6 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 17, 2021.

LD 319 An Act To Promote Socially Responsible Investing by the Maine Public Employees Retirement System by Prohibiting Investment in For-profit Prisons

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 234 prohibits the Treasurer of State and the Board of Trustees of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System from investing assets in any corporation or company that owns or operates prisons for profit. It also requires the Treasurer of State and the Board of Trustees of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System to divest any such holdings consistent with sound investment criteria and fiduciary obligations.

Public Law 2021, chapter 234 also directs the Board of Trustees of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System to review its environmental, social and governance policy and make necessary changes to conform to the prohibition and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing by January 1, 2022.

LD 341 Resolve, Directing the Maine Public Employees Retirement System To Study and Report on How Statewide Retirement Systems Affected by the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset Can Cooperate on Solutions

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2021, chapter 84 directs the Maine Public Employees Retirement System to study existing and potential further cooperation with other statewide retirement systems affected by the windfall elimination provision and the government pension offset instead of an interstate compact. The resolve requires the Maine Public Employees Retirement System to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing no later than January 1, 2022 and authorizes the committee to report out a bill based on the report.

LD 467 An Act To Support E-9-1-1 Dispatchers and Corrections Officers Diagnosed with Post-traumatic Stress Disorder

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 419 adds corrections officers and E-9-1-1 dispatchers to the list of employees for whom there is a rebuttable presumption under the laws governing workers' compensation that when the employee is diagnosed by a licensed psychiatrist or psychologist as having post-traumatic stress disorder resulting from work stress that was extraordinary and unusual, the post-traumatic stress disorder is presumed to have arisen out of and in the course of the worker's employment.