



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Expand the Number of Qualified Educators

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

Committee: Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

No net fiscal impact - Local School Administrative Units

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Allowing certain teachers, defined as classroom-based employees, who have reached normal retirement age and who retired after September 1, 2011 to be restored to service as classroom-based employees at 100% of the compensation established for the position to be filled for up to a maximum of 5 years with a school administrative unit effective August 1, 2014 will have no net fiscal impact on local school administrative units.

When limitations on conditions of restoration to service after retirement were enacted in 2011 no costs or savings were budgeted. It was assumed that limiting compensation to 75% would deter some retirees from returning to work and those positions would have to be filled by replacement workers. The State and school administrative units would have to pay health insurance costs and retirement costs for new replacement workers, which would offset the savings from the 25% reduction in compensation for those who would return at the lower pay.

The additional costs associated with the working group are expected to be minor.