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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator G. William Diamond, Senate Chair
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FROM: Senator Troy Dale Jackson, Senate Chair *T.D.*
Representative John L. Tuttle, House Chair *J.L.T.*
Joint Standing Committee on Labor

DATE: March 4, 2010

RE: **LD 1776, *An Act To Protect Teacher Retirement Income*** and "Part RRR" of March 3, 2010 ***Governor's Second Change Package***

The Joint Standing Committee on Labor would like to take this opportunity to inform you that on March 4, 2010 it unanimously voted OTP-A on LD 1776. The bill is identical to "Part RRR" of the ***Governor's Second Change Package***. The Committee Amendment to the bill keeps this section, but adds a provision allowing members of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System currently employed and part of the Participating Local Districts to buy back their time if affected by furlough or shutdown days. The new title, ***An Act To Protect Retirement Income***, reflects this change.

LD 1776 should be appearing on the House and Senate Calendars soon. Thus, "Part RRR" of the ***Governor's Second Change Package*** may be redundant.

Thank you.

cc: Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs
Members, Joint Standing Committee on Labor