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Resolve, Directing the Workers' Compensation Board To Study the Impact of Workers' Compensation Laws on Certain Public Sector Employees

Reference to the Committee on Labor and Housing suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT

Clerk

Presented by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford.

Sec. 1. Workers' Compensation Board to study impact of workers' compensation laws on certain public sector employees. Resolved: That the Workers' Compensation Board shall study the fiscal impact of the implementation of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 39-A, sections 328, 328-A and 328-B and the rebuttable presumption afforded certain employees in claims against municipalities for the past 20 years and devise a high-risk pool to protect municipalities from that impact; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, by December 1, 2022, the Workers' Compensation Board shall submit its report on the study under section 1 and suggested legislation to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters may report out legislation based upon the report to the First Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

14 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Workers' Compensation Board to study the fiscal impact of certain workers' compensation laws providing a rebuttable presumption that certain employees received injuries in the course of their employment on municipalities and to devise a high-risk pool to protect the municipalities from that impact.