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9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 1065, L.D. 1611, "An Act to Decrease the Retirement Contributions Required for Teachers and State Employees"
11 12	Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:
13	'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17154, sub-§6, ¶K is enacted to read:
14 15 16	K. Notwithstanding this section, beginning July 1, 2027, the additional employer retirement costs that are applicable to the normal cost of retirement for a teacher pursuant to section 17701-C must be paid by the State.
17 18	Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §17701-B, as amended by PL 2007, c. 491, §104, is further amended to read:
19	§17701-B. Member contributions on and after July 1, 1993 until June 30, 2027
20 21 22 23	Notwithstanding sections 17701 and 17701-A, on and after July 1, 1993 <u>until June 30</u> , 2027, all members shall contribute to the State Employee and Teacher Retirement Program or have pick-up contributions made at a rate of 7.65% of earnable compensation except as otherwise provided in this Part.
24	Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §17701-C is enacted to read:
25	§17701-C. Member contributions on and after July 1, 2027
26 27 28 29	1. Member contributions on and after July 1, 2027. Notwithstanding sections 17701, 17701-A and 17701-B, on and after July 1, 2027, except as otherwise provided in this Part, all members shall contribute to the State Employee and Teacher Retirement Program or have pick-up contributions made at a rate of earnable compensation as follows:
30	A. From July 1, 2027 until June 30, 2028, 7.4%;
31	B. From July 1, 2028 until June 30, 2029, 7.15%;
32	C. From July 1, 2029 until June 30, 2030, 6.9%;
33	D. From July 1, 2030 until June 30, 2031, 6.65%;

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1	E. From July 1, 2031 until June 30, 2032, 6.4%; and
2	F. On and after July 1, 2032, 6.2%.
3 4	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.
5	SUMMARY
6	This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill. The
7	amendment provides that, beginning on July 1, 2027, the percentage of contributions that
8	members of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System must contribute will gradually
9	reduce from the current rate of earnable compensation of 7.65% to 6.2% by July 1, 2032.
10	The amendment also requires increased employer retirement costs applicable to the normal
11	cost of retirement for teachers due to this change to be paid by the State.
12	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
13	(See attached)

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