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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
130TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 331, L.D. 1041, “An Act To Include Certain Mental Health Workers under the 1998 Special Plan for Retirement”

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 5 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §17851-A, sub-§1, ¶Q is enacted to read:

Q. Employees of the Department of Health and Human Services on October 1, 2021 or hired thereafter who have responsibility for providing crisis outreach and crisis services to adults with developmental disabilities or intellectual disabilities in a community-based or residential setting, except for an institutional setting.'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 12 the following:

'Sec. 13. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Crisis Outreach Program Z216**

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for the costs associated with the increase in the employer's contribution rates for the normal cost and unfunded actuarial liability as a result of certain mental health workers within the Department of Health and Human Services being allowed to participate in the 1998 Special Plan effective January 1, 2022.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$15,305	\$31,580
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$15,305</u>	<u>\$31,580</u>
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$13,903	\$28,687
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$13,903</u>	<u>\$28,687</u>

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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Developmental Services - Community Z208

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds for the costs associated with the increase in the employer's contribution rates for the normal cost and unfunded actuarial liability as a result of certain mental health workers within the Department of Health and Human Services being allowed to participate in the 1998 Special Plan effective January 1, 2022.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
Personal Services	\$2,802	\$5,802
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$2,802</u>	<u>\$5,802</u>

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$18,107	\$37,382
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$13,903	\$28,687
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$32,010</u>	<u>\$66,069</u>

**RETIREMENT SYSTEM, MAINE PUBLIC
EMPLOYEES**

Retirement System - Retirement Allowance Fund 0085

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for the increase in the unfunded actuarial liability as a result of allowing the service retirement benefits for certain mental health workers within the Department of Health and Human Services earned under the regular state employee and teacher plan to be calculated under the 1998 Special Plan effective January 1, 2022.

GENERAL FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$101,483	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$101,483</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**RETIREMENT SYSTEM, MAINE PUBLIC
EMPLOYEES
DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$101,483	\$0
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$101,483</u>	<u>\$0</u>

SECTION TOTALS

	2021-22	2022-23
GENERAL FUND	\$119,590	\$37,382
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$13,903	\$28,687

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SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS

\$133,493

\$66,069

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and narrows the scope of the bill with respect to employees eligible for the 1998 Special Plan of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System. While the bill adds employees who provide direct care in community-based or residential settings and in mental health institutions in this State, the amendment instead adds employees who provide crisis outreach and services to adults with developmental disabilities or intellectual disabilities in a community-based or residential setting, except for an institutional setting.

This amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section to provide the necessary funding to add these employees to the 1998 Special Plan of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)