

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1031**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Thurmond**

February 26, 2015

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An act to add Section 22892.1 to the Government Code, relating to public employee health benefits.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1031, as introduced, Thurmond. Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act: contracting entities.

The Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA), which is administered by the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System, governs the funding and provision of postemployment health care benefits for eligible retired public employees and their families. PEMHCA permits certain public entities that meet specified eligibility criteria to elect to obtain health benefit plans through PEMHCA as contracting members.

This bill would specify that a contracting agency that has elected to be subject to PEMHCA is required to fulfill its employer contribution obligations for health benefits, including reimbursement for Medicare Part B premiums, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 22892.1 is added to the Government  
2 Code, to read:

1 22892.1. A contracting agency that has elected to be subject  
2 to this part shall fulfill its obligations with respect to employer  
3 contributions for health benefits, including reimbursement for  
4 Medicare Part B premiums, as mutually agreed upon through  
5 collective bargaining or as required by statute, or pursuant to a  
6 vesting schedule statutorily imposed or approved in a memorandum  
7 of understanding.

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