

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 874**

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H. P. 669

House of Representatives, February 14, 1973

Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Maxwell of Jay.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Prohibiting Corporal Punishment of Pupils.**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

**R. S., T. 20, § 473, sub-§ 14, additional.** Section 473 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 14 to read as follows:

**14. Corporal punishment.** No teacher or other employee of a school committee or board shall have the right to inflict corporal punishment upon any pupil, for disobedience or misconduct, except that a pupil may be restrained from any action which appears to present danger to himself or others but such restraints must be administered without malice and in moderation.

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

The purpose of this bill is reflected in the title.