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#### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

#### ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 130

H. P. 122 House of Representatives, January 23, 1979 Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT. Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Berube of Lewiston.

#### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

### AN ACT to Require Certification of Teachers in Bilingual Education Programs.

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

20 MRSA § 102, sub-§ 16, as repealed and replaced by PL 1977, c. 26, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

Bilingual instructors shall be subject to section 59 requiring certification of teachers by the State Board of Education, in both course content and language of instruction.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill will provide for certification of bilingual instructors in Maine schools. This certification is necessary so that children in bilingual programs will be exposed to correct pronunciation, spelling and grammar in the language of their instruction