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## 114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, December 18, 1989

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MARSANO of Belfast.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Amend the Educational Qualifications for Licensure as a Social Worker.



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

- 32 MRSA §7053. sub-§3, as amended by PL 1985, c. 736, §11, is further amended to read:
- 3. Licensed social worker. As a licensed social worker, an 6 applicant shall must have received a bachelor's degree in social work or , social welfare or sociology from an accredited educational institution, shall must have demonstrated to the satisfaction of the board adherence to the ethics of the social 10 worker profession and shall must have successfully completed the 12 examination prescribed by the board. The board shall issue rules, in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter 375, by which an individual who has a backelers -14 bachelor's degree in an area other than social work or , social 16 welfare or sociology may be eligible for a license.

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#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill permits persons who have degrees in sociology to sit for the licensed social worker examination. Although the State Board of Social Worker Licensure is authorized to grant exceptions, current law permits only those persons who have degrees in social work or social welfare to sit for the license.