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No. 1444

H.P. 1008

House of Representatives, March 22, 2005

Resolve, Regarding Teacher Certification Requirements

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

Presented by Representative FISCHER of Presque Isle.
Cosponsored by Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook.

Sec. 1. Application of teacher certification rules. Resolved: That,
2 prior to January 1, 2006, a person who has completed a
postsecondary teacher preparation program in the State approved
4 by the State Board of Education and meets all requirements for an
initial certificate to become a new teacher under chapter 115 of
6 the Department of Education's rules adopted pursuant to the Maine
Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 13011 in effect on July 31,
8 2005 may be certified under those rules in effect on July 31,
2005.

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SUMMARY

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This resolve allows a person who has completed a
postsecondary teacher preparation program in the State approved
16 by the State Board of Education and meets all requirements for an
initial certificate to become a new teacher prior to January 1,
18 2006 to be certified under present Department of Education rules
to prevent students in postsecondary teacher preparation programs
20 who are nearing the end of their college degree programs from
being penalized by having the certification requirements change
22 prior to the completion of their academic programs.