

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 486

In Senate, April 11, 2019

**An Act To Increase the Supplement for Certain National Board for
Professional Teaching Standards Certified Teachers in Maine**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13013-A, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 702, §2, is
3 further amended to read:

4 **1. Department of Education salary supplement.** Notwithstanding any other
5 provision of law, the Department of Education shall provide a public school teacher or a
6 teacher in a publicly supported secondary school who has attained certification from the
7 National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, or its successor organization, with
8 an annual national board certification salary supplement for the life of the certificate. The
9 salary supplement must be added to the teacher's base salary and must be considered in
10 the calculation for contributions to the Maine Public Employees Retirement System. If a
11 nationally certified teacher is no longer employed as a teacher, the supplement ceases.
12 The amount of the salary supplement is:

- 13 A. For fiscal year 2012-13, \$2,500;
- 14 B. For fiscal year 2013-14, \$2,750; ~~and~~
- 15 C. For fiscal year 2014-15 and succeeding years, except for a teacher under
16 paragraph D, \$3,000-; and
- 17 D. For fiscal year 2020-21 and succeeding years, for a teacher who is employed in a
18 school in which at least 50% of students qualify for a free or reduced-price lunch
19 under chapter 223, subchapter 7 during the year that the supplement is provided,
20 \$9,000.

21 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill increases, from \$3,000 to \$9,000, the supplement paid to a teacher who has
23 attained certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and
24 who is employed in a school in which at least 50% of students qualify for a free or
25 reduced-price lunch during the year that the supplement is provided.