

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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LAWS
OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION
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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
2026

the number of mathematics classes required for a high school diploma at secondary schools in the State. Data collected must include, but is not limited to:

1. The number of secondary schools that require 2 years of mathematics for a high school diploma;
2. From secondary schools that require 2 years of mathematics for a high school diploma, estimated costs associated with raising the mathematics requirements from 2 to 3 years;
3. The number of secondary schools that require more than 2 years of mathematics for a high school diploma; and
4. The number of secondary schools that accept credits from alternative mathematics classes, such as accelerated 8th-grade mathematics classes and early college classes, toward fulfillment of the mathematics requirements for a high school diploma.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, by January 15, 2026, the Department of Education shall submit a report based on the data collected in section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The committee is authorized to submit legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

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CHAPTER 123

H.P. 265 - L.D. 411

Resolve, Directing the Attorney General to Update Rules Relating to the Disposition of Forfeited Firearms

Sec. 1. Attorney General to update rules. Resolved: That the Attorney General shall update the rules regarding the disposition of forfeited firearms to clarify that the proceeds from the auctioning of forfeited firearms by the State must be placed in the Safe Homes Program Fund pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 25, section 7001, subsection 4, except that the Department of Administrative and Financial Services may retain 12% of the proceeds and the Department of Public Safety, Maine State Police, sheriff's departments and municipal police departments may retain the proceeds resulting from the auction of firearms forfeited to their respective departments.

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CHAPTER 124

S.P. 209 - L.D. 470

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Review Teacher Mentoring Programs in Maine Public Schools

Sec. 1. Teacher mentoring programs; review. Resolved: That the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Maine Education Association, the Maine School Management Association and Educate Maine, shall conduct a review of teacher mentoring programs in public schools in the State. The review must include, but is not limited to:

1. The number of teachers holding emergency teacher certificates, conditional teacher certificates and new teacher certificates with less than 3 years of experience employed at each school administrative unit;
2. Verification that every teacher holding an emergency teacher certificate, a conditional teacher certificate or a new teacher certificate with less than 3 years of experience is assigned a mentor;
3. Interviews with public school principals about teacher mentoring programs; and
4. A compilation of descriptions of basic requirements of teacher mentoring programs throughout the State, including the structure of each program, training and available stipends.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, by February 15, 2026, the Department of Education shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs based on the review conducted pursuant to section 1. The joint standing committee may report out legislation related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Higher Education and Educator Support Services Z082

Initiative: Provides one-time funds to contract for staffing services to perform a review of teacher mentoring programs in public schools and to prepare a report.

GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$5,000	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$5,000	\$0

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