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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JULY 1985

This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

SUMMARY:

The bill would have prohibited schools from interrupting the 175 days mandated for instruction with teacher workshop days. Schools could hold up to 2 parent-teacher conference days. This would have meant that teacher workshops would have had to have been held during school vacation, weekends, or before the start of school in the fall or after the end of school in the spring.

LD:

1003

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW PERTAINING TO POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION IN THE FIELD OF MEDICINE

GAUVREAU BOST BROWN L FOSS

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HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED

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PUBLIC CH # 455

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SUMMARY:

This bill: expands the type of practice which will cause forgiveness of repayment under the Postgraduate Education in the Field of Medicine Program from primary medical care and veterinary practice to any type of practice in a medically "underserved area;" redefines "underserved area" so that it may include geographic areas, specialty areas or population groups determined by the Commissioner of Human Service; adds postponement of repayment obligations while the student is engaged in "Obligated Armed Forces service;" changes the amount which must be repaid to the State by the student from the amount it costs the State to purchase his or her slot to the difference between the out-of-state tuition charged at the institution and the amount of tuition paid by the student; shortens the forgiveness service obligation from 5 years to 4 years; forgives all veterinary students who return to practice in the state and doctors, dentists and optometrists who return to practice in underserved areas as newly defined in the bill; and allows use of program funds to recruit students back to Maine to practice.

CA-S-84: The Committee amendment broadens the definition of "Obligated Armed Force Service" and restores the requirement that in order to be forgiven for repayment veterinarians must return to service in underserved areas as determined by the Commissioner of Agriculture.