

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Easton of Winterport.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

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AN ACT Relating to Certificates for Teaching.

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

R. S., c. 41, § 184-A, additional. Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 184-A, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 184-A. Certificates; college graduate; academic subjects. As used in this section “academic subject matter” refers exclusively to a course of study above customary high school level in the following areas, which, for purposes of this section, shall be called “academic subject matter areas”: Physical science, natural science, social science, humanities, mathematics and fine arts. The State Board of Education shall determine whether or not a given course of study constitutes academic subject matter.

A graduate of a college or university approved by the State Board of Education, who is at least 21 years of age, furnishes evidence of good moral character, and evidence of at least 60 hours of credit from such college or university in the aggregate of all academic subject matters, shall be granted by the commissioner:

I. Elementary schools. A certificate of qualification to teach in elementary schools, which, for purposes of this section, shall include subprimary through the 8th grade; and

II. Secondary schools. A certificate of qualification to teach in secondary schools, which for purposes of this section, shall include grades 9 through 12, but limited to courses in the academic subject matter areas in which the applicant presents at least 24 hours credit from such college or university. De-

termination of which courses for which said certificate shall be granted shall be within the discretion of the board.

Any certificate granted under this section may be revoked and annulled for sufficient cause. Any teacher whose certificate has been revoked shall be granted a hearing on request before a committee; one member to be selected by the commissioner, the 2nd by the teacher involved and the 3rd by the other 2 members. The hearings before this committee may be public at their discretion and their decision shall be final.'