

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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S. P. 62

In Senate, January 17, 1967

Referred to Committee on Education. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Snow of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Revise the Teacher Certification Laws.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, § 58, additional. Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 58, to read as follows:

§ 58. Certification of teachers

The board shall, in accordance with such rules and regulations as it prescribes, authorize the certification of teachers and other professional personnel for service in any public school in the State, or in any nonpublic school which accepts public funds for tuition or is approved for attendance purposes under section 911. The board may, in accordance with such rules and regulations as it prescribes, authorize the certification of adult education teachers, and other teaching and professional personnel in publicly supported education programs other than those in the public schools, post-high school institutes, colleges and universities.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 1751, repealed and replaced. Section 1751 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 1751. Certificate; regulation; revocation

Certificates shall be issued by the commissioner, under rules and regulations prescribed by the board, to teachers and other professional personnel for service in any public elementary or secondary school in the State or in any such nonpublic school as accepts public funds for tuition or is approved for attendance purposes under section 911.

No certificate shall be granted to any person unless he furnishes evidence of good moral character, and no certificate shall be granted for elementary school

teaching to any person who cannot present satisfactory evidence of training in physiology and hygiene, with special reference to the effects of alcohol, stimulants and narcotics upon the human system.

Certificates may, under rules prescribed by the board, be granted to persons holding certificates granted by authority of other states.

Any certificate granted under this or any preceding law may for sufficient cause be revoked and annulled. Nothing in this section relative to revocation of teachers' certificates shall be retroactive. 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.