

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 442

H. P. 308

House of Representatives, January 31, 1967

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Hanson of Lebanon.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to High School Equivalency Certificates.

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

R. S., T. 20, § 102, sub-§ 14, amended. Subsection 14 of section 102 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

14. High school equivalency certificates. To issue state high school equivalency certificates to residents of Maine, either ~~war veterans~~ **members or former members of the Armed Forces of the United States** or ~~to other citizens or~~ **residents 20 years of age or over, who demonstrate, through procedures prescribed by the commissioner, that they have attained a general educational development comparable to that of secondary school graduates, except that Maine residents at least 18 years of age who have not been in attendance at a public school for one year or more and who have completed a formal training program approved by the commissioner, may become eligible for a certificate.** Certificates so issued shall have the legal status of high school diplomas. Fees sufficient to defray operating costs may be charged by the commissioner, except that honorably discharged ~~war veterans~~ **or released veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States** shall be exempt from payment of fees, which shall be paid from the income of the Permanent School Fund.