

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1420

H. P. 978

House of Representatives, March 8, 1967

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Levesque of Madawaska.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Requiring Childhood Education Programs for Five-year Olds.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, § 859, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 859 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 338 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

~~In schools which offer~~ **All public schools of the State shall offer** a one-year childhood education program prior to grade one **and** only those children who will be 5 years of age on or before October 15th of the school year shall be admitted ~~except that not more than 5 pilot programs related to school entrance age may be administered locally with approval of the State Board of Education during the 1965-66, 1966-67 school years only. Grade one age limitations shall not apply to children participating in these pilot programs.~~

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall become effective July 1, 1969.