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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1410

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Age for Compulsory Education.

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

- R. S., T. 20, § 911, amended. Section 911 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following new paragraph:
- If, in the judgment of the principal, a suitable program of work or workstudy or training is available, pupils 16 years of age may be excused from school attendance with the consent of parent or guardian and approval of the school committee or board of directors.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this Bill would be to provide some flexibility in the present statute but to ensure that the 16-year old would have a purposeful alternative to remaining in school.