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# STATE OF MAINE

### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO

### AN ACT to Clarify the Scope of Collective Bargaining Under the Municipal Employees Labor Relations Law.

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

**R. S., T. 26, § 965, sub-§ 1, ¶ C, amended.** Paragraph C of subsection 1 of section 965 of Title 26 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 424 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

**C.** To confer and negotiate in good faith with respect to wages, hours, working conditions terms and conditions of employment and contract grievance arbitration except that by such obligation neither party shall be compelled to agree to a proposal or be required to make a concession and except that public employers of teachers shall meet and consult but not negotiate with respect to educational policies for. For the purpose of this paragraph, educational policies shall not include wages, hours, working conditions terms and conditions of employment or contract grievance arbitration;

### STATEMENT OF FACT

The present Municipal Employees Labor Relations Law is unclear and therefore judicial interpretation is being sought in the Supreme Judicial Court. This new draft which is based on the National Labor Relations Act will clarify the scope of bargaining by adopting the National Labor Relations Act which has been interpreted in thousands of federal cases.