

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 1513**

H. P. 1176

House of Representatives, March 19, 1973

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

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. LeBlanc of Van Buren.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-THREE

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### **AN ACT** Relating to Bids and Contracts in School Administrative Districts.

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

R. S., T. 20, § 309-C, additional. Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 309-C to read as follows:

#### **§ 309-C. Contracts and bids**

A contract made by the school directors during the term of a school director who is pecuniarily interested, either directly or indirectly, is void excepting for such contracts as the school directors shall advertise for sealed bids by publication at least 5 days prior to the date set for closing of bids in a newspaper having general circulation in the territory embracing the School Administrative District.

All bids shall be in writing, sealed, with outside envelope or wrapper plainly marked "Bid, not to be opened until (with appropriate date inserted)," and mailed to or filed with the superintendent of the School Administrative District. No director or employee of the School Administrative District shall open such bid until the appointed time. At the time and place stated in the public notice, all bids shall be opened publicly by the superintendent of the School Administrative District or, in his absence or disability, by any director designated for the purpose by the chairman of the school directors, and such bid openings shall be open to the public. If any citizens who are not school administrative district directors or employees, or if any representatives of the press are present, such bids shall at that time either be made available for examination by such citizens or press representatives, or shall be read aloud in a manner to be heard plainly by those in attendance.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to propose a conflict of interest statute for School Administrative Districts.