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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
107TH LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P.
1069, L.D. 1349, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Teacher Certification."

Amend said Amendment by striking out all of that part
designated "§59." and inserting in place thereof the following:

'§59. Certification of teachers

The State Board of Education shall, in accordance with
such rules and regulations as it may prescribe, authorize the
Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services to certify
and revoke the certification of teachers and other professional
personnel for service in any public school in the State, or
in any nonpublic school which accepts public funds for tuition
or is approved for attendance purposes under section 911. The State
Board of Education may, in accordance with such rules and regulations
it prescribes, authorize the Commissioner of Educational and
cultural Services to certify adult education teachers and other teaching
and professional personnel in publicly supported education
programs other than those in the public schools, post-high school
institutions, colleges and universities. The State Board of
Education shall, in accordance with such rules and regulations
as it prescribes, authorize the Commissioner of Educational
and Cultural Services to approve the employment of teacher aides,
teacher assistants or other semiprofessional personnel for service

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in the kinds of schools described in this section. The State Board of Education shall have the advice in matters of certification of a body of qualified practitioners, teacher-educators and representatives of the public to be selected and to function in accordance with rules established by the State Board of Education. At least 50% of such advisory body shall be made up of persons who are currently employed in teaching positions as defined in section 3452. This advisory body shall review proposed changes in rules and regulations which relate to certification and revocation of certification of school personnel.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to place the responsibility for the certification and decertification of school personnel under the control of the State Board of Education, to specify the involvement of the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services in these processes and to make a body of practitioners and representatives of the public advisory to the State Board of Education.

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