

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
107TH LEGISLATURE

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

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 1 and  
inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 1. 20 MRSA §59, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 571,  
§10, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§59. Certification of teachers

The State Board of Education shall, in accordance with  
such rules and regulations as it may prescribe, authorize  
the certification and revocation of 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 as it prescribes,  
authorize the certification of adult education teachers and  
other teaching and professional personnel in publicly supported  
education programs other than those in the public schools,  
post-high school institutes, colleges and universities. The  
State Board of Education may, in accordance with such rules  
and regulations as it prescribes, authorize the employment  
of teacher aides, teacher assistants or other semi-professional  
personnel for service 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, selected from among themselves as enumerated  
above, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ in accordance with rules established by the  
State Board of Education. This advisory body shall review  
and recommend rules and regulations to the State Board of  
Education relating to certification and revocation of  
certification of professional personnel.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to place the responsibility for the certification and decertification of teachers under the control of the State Board of Education and to make the professional practitioners advisory only to the Board of Education.

Reported by the Committee on Education.

Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House.  
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