

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 294**

H. P. 231

House of Representatives, February 9, 1977

Referred to the Committee on Labor. Sent up for concurrence and 1,500 copies ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Strout of Corinth.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to Length of Labor Agreements.**

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

26 MRSA § 965, sub-§ 1, ¶ D, as enacted by PL 1969, c. 424, § 1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

D. To execute in writing any agreements arrived at, the term of any such agreement to be subject to negotiation but shall not exceed 3 years, except that collective bargaining agreements covering teachers shall be for a minimum term of 2 years, with renegotiation for the 2nd year permissible only on the issue of direct wages, and shall not exceed 4 years; and

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to increase the stability of labor relations between teachers and public school employers and to reduce the disruptive impact of annual negotiating on the educational program.