

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1333

H. P. 1115

House of Representatives, March 29, 1977

On motion of Mr. Lynch of Livermore Falls, referred to Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Laffin of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Concerning the Issuing of School Teaching Certificates.

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

20 MRSA § 1751, 2nd ¶ as repealed and replaced by PL 1969, c. 79, § 2, is amended by inserting before the first sentence a new sentence to read:

No certificate shall be granted to any person who does not possess a bachelor's degree or an earned higher academic degree, except that this provision shall not apply to trade or vocational teachers, temporary substitute teachers or exchange teachers.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would establish minimum educational requirements for teachers in public schools. Presently persons who do not have the educational qualifications of a person who has completed a college or university program in education may obtain temporary certification to teach. This bill would restrict that practice and would insure that teachers have adequate training.