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L.D. 2155
(Filing No. S-586)

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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 708, L.D. 2155, Bill,
"AN ACT to Insure Local Control Over Education Policy."

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the
enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 20 MRSA §161, sub-§5, as last amended by PL 1977,
c. 580, §§16, and 17, is further amended by adding after the
4th sentence a new sentence to read:

Neither just cause nor the criteria and standards of job
performance of teachers and other school employees as provided
by Title 5, section 1006, subsection 3 shall be subject to
interest arbitration under Title 26, section 965, subsection 4.

Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §965, sub-§1, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1969,
c. 424, §1, is amended to read:

C. To confer and negotiate in good faith with respect to
wages, hours, working conditions and contract grievance
arbitration, except that by such obligation neither party
shall be compelled to agree to a proposal or be required
to make a concession and except that public employers of
teachers shall meet and consult but not negotiate with re-
spect to educational policies for the purpose of this para-
graph, educational policies shall not include wages, hours,

working conditions or contract grievance arbitration, how-
ever, an item which is an impact of education policy shall
not be subject to interest arbitration under subsection 4
until the Maine Labor Relations Board de-
termines that the item shall be considered either a question
of education policy or an item of negotiability;

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to:

1. Exclude just cause and the criteria and standards of job performance of teachers and other school employees as items subject to interest arbitration;
2. Exclude the impact of educational policies as an item subject to interest arbitration; and
3. Direct that disputes about what is educational policy or the impact of educational policy should be referred to the Maine Labor Relations Board for resolution.

Reported by the Committee on Education.

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