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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 122, L. D. 130, Bill, "AN ACT to Require Certification of Teachers in Bilingual Education Programs."

Amend the Bill by striking out the last word of the amending clause and inserting in its place the word 'sentences'

Further amend the Bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following underlined sentences:

'Certified bilingual instructors shall not be required for the provision of transitional instruction at any grade level.

Transitional instruction means instruction given to a non-English speaking student for the purpose of enabling the student to be instructed in English within a reasonable length of time.

Transitional instruction shall not be construed as including bilingual education programs, as defined in United States Code

Annotated, Title 20, section 830b-1, which do not include students of limited English speaking ability.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify that certified bilingual instructors will not be required to carry out transitional instruction.

Reported by the Committee on Education Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House 3/15/79 (Filing No. H-96)