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## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing NO. H-378) 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\hat{A}$ " to H.P. 953, L.D. 1186, Bill, "AN ACT to Exempt Teacher Certification Records from the Freedom of Access Statutes."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of that part designated "§1752." and inserting in its place the following:

- '§1752. List of persons certified; records confidential
- 1. Records. A list of persons certified under section 1751 shall be kept in the office of the commissioner and shall be a public record. Copies of the list shall be sent to school committees and superintendents upon their request.
- 2. Records confidential. Transcripts, recommendations and other documents submitted in support of an application for certification under section 1751 and maintained in the office of the commissioner are confidential and shall only be made available to the following:
  - A. School committees and superintendents;
  - B. Authorized personnel of the department in fulfilling assigned duties; and
  - C. Individuals and their representatives who request to examine their own records.
- 3. Duplication costs. Individuals requesting copies of their records shall bear the costs of copying those records.

## Statement of Fact

The purpose of this legislation is to protect an individual's right to privacy by limiting access to records placed on file in the Department of Educational and Cultural Services.

Reported by the Committee on Education Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. 5/10/79 (Filing No. H-378)