

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1002

7 H.P. 772

House of Representatives, March 3, 1983

8 Submitted by the Department of Educational and Cultural Services pur-
9 suant to Joint Rule 24.

10 On Motion of Representative Locke of Sebec referred to the Committee
on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Brodeur of Auburn.

11 Cosponsors: Representative Small of Bath and Senator Hayes of
Penobscot.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Allow the Department of
18 Educational and Cultural Services to
19 Administer the Child Nutrition Program
20 in Private, Nonprofit Schools.
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22 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
23 follows:

24 20-A MRSA §6602, sub-§11 is enacted to read:

25 11. The state may administer. The state may ad-
26 minister the programs under the United States Child
27 Nutrition Act, Public Law 89-642 in nonprofit, pri-
28 ivate schools, provided that the State shall not be
29 required to appropriate or distribute state funds for
30 meals served in private schools to those private
31 schools.

1 STATEMENT OF FACT

2 The purpose of this bill is to authorize the
3 Department of Educational and Cultural Services to
4 administer the Child Nutrition Program in private
5 schools. The United States Department of Agriculture
6 has requested that a state agency administer the
7 Child Nutrition Program for private schools. The
8 Department of Educational and Cultural Services is
9 the logical agency for 2 reasons:

10 1. The department administers the program in
11 public schools; and

12 2. The unit is already in place and functioning.

13 The State has not administered the program in the
14 past because of the state, federal matching require-
15 ments. The federal law was changed to eliminate the
16 requirement for the State to raise and distribute
17 state money to private schools if it is prohibited to
18 do so by state law. This allows the State to admin-
19 ister these programs in private schools if this
20 authorizing legislation is approved.

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