

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. 1230

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7 H.P. 949

House of Representatives, March 17, 1983

8 Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and
9 ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Rolde of York.

Cosponsors: Representative Connolly of Portland, Senator Hayes of
11 Penobscot and Representative Locke of Sebec.

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 Relating to the State Board of
18 Education.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§4, as enacted by PL
23 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:

24 4. Review of department decisions. On the writ-
25 ten request of an interested party, the state board
26 shall review decisions made by the department acting
27 through the commissioner or his duly authorized
28 representative under sections 1401 to 1407, ~~section~~
29 sections 8351 and 13003 and chapters 203, 205 and 505
30 and Title 20, section 3458. The written request
31 shall be filed within 30 days from the date of the
32 department's decision.

1 ently of the department on teacher certification, due
2 to a \$5,000 legislative appropriation. This resulted
3 in the most substantial changes, and toughening of
4 teacher educational requirements, to be considered by
5 the board in many years. This could not have hap-
6 pened without the funds to allow the board to hire
7 additional help.

8 Section 1 of the bill gives the board the right
9 to review teacher certification decision made by the
10 commissioner. The board currently cannot ensure its
11 certification policies are being carried out because
12 it has no ability to hear appeals of certification
13 decisions.

14 Section 2 provides an appropriation to the board
15 to enable it to carry out its duties and a per diem.
16 At present, the board is a major state policy-making
17 board, but does not even get per diem. The appropri-
18 ation corrects that.

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