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(EMERGENCY)
(New Draft of S.P. 764, L.D. 1936)
(New Title)
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2184

S.P. 868

In Senate, March 14, 1986

Reported by Senator Brown of Washington from the Committee on Education and printed under Joint Rule 2. Original bill sponsored by Senator Pearson of Penobscot. Cosponsored by Representative Hichborn of LaGrange, Representative Soucy of Kittery and Senator Diamond of Cumberland.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX

AN ACT to Provide for High School
Graduation up to 5 Academic Days Prior to
the Conclusion of the School Year.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, school administrative units will be establishing their calendars for the 1986-87 school year this spring and early summer; and

Whereas, the 90-day period for regular bills to take effect will not be over until July; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-

1 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
2 therefore,

3 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
4 follows:

5 20-A MRS §4801, sub-§1, ¶C is enacted to read:

6 C. Notwithstanding this subsection, the commis-
7 sioner shall promulgate a rule to provide that
8 local school units may allow secondary school
9 students to graduate up to 5 school days prior to
10 the regular end of the school year.

11 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited
12 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when ap-
13 proved.

14 STATEMENT OF FACT

15 This new draft adds an emergency preamble and
16 clause to the bill. It also changes the bill from al-
17 lowing the school board to set a graduation date up
18 to 7 days before the end of school to giving the com-
19 missioner authority to establish a rule to allow
20 graduation before the end of the school year.

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