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L.D. 1564
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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
114TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 561, L.D. 1564, "Resolve, Creating the Special Commission to Study and Evaluate the Status of Education Reform in Maine"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 2 by striking out all of paragraph E (page 2, lines 13 and 14 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'E. Other legislative and administrative education measures put into effect since 1984, including pending initiatives, related nonreform trends and ongoing studies and reviews within the Department of Educational and Cultural Services.'

Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 2. Appointment. Resolved: That the commission shall consist of 19 members, appointed in the following manner:

1. Four Legislators who are members of the Joint Standing Committee on Education, appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The chairs of the Joint Standing Committee on Education may recommend candidates for the legislative members;

2. Two representatives of the Department of Educational and Cultural Services appointed by the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services, one of whom shall be an educational specialist or consultant below the associate commissioner level specializing in certification issues and one of whom shall be an educational specialist or consultant below the associate commissioner level specializing in curriculum issues;

3. One representative each of the State Board of Education and the University of Maine System appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives from 2 lists of candidates prepared by the board and system;

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4. One elementary school teacher and one secondary school teacher, one school board member, one school superintendent, one secondary school principal and one elementary school principal appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives from lists of candidates presented by the statewide professional association representing each of those groups;

5. Two representatives of the business community, one appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one appointed by the Governor; and

6. Three public members, 2 appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one appointed by the Governor.

All members shall possess experience, expertise or interest in education and educational reform issues. All appointments shall be made by July 15, 1989; and be it further'

Further amend the resolve in section 3 in the 5th line (page 4, line 12 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "chair" the following: 'and a cochair' and in the 7th line (page 4, line 15 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "chair" the following: 'and the cochair'

Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 4 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 4. Report. Resolved: That the commission shall present its findings, together with any recommended implementing legislation, in an interim report to the Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature and the Joint Standing Committee on Education by December 1, 1989. The interim report shall include, but need not be limited to, a review and assessment of the educator certification requirements, an examination of the educator training programs available to Maine educators and potential educators and recommendations or legislation necessary to enhance the coordination of educator certification requirements and available educator training programs. The commission shall consider and make recommendations on the need for establishing periodic reports to the Legislature by the State Board of Education on the effects of implementing the educator certification requirements.

The final report of the special commission, including findings and recommendations for the initiation of new, or redirection of existing, educational policies, together with any recommended legislation shall be presented to the First Regular

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1 Session of the 115th Legislature and the Joint Standing Committee
3 on Education by December 1, 1990. The final report, in addition
5 to assessing past educational reform measures and recommending
7 what ought to be retained, changed or eliminated, may recommend
broad goals for future educational reform based on the assessment
performed by the commission and shall establish a process for the
assessment of any future reform measures; and be it further'

9 Further amend the resolve in section 5 in the 5th and 6th
11 lines (page 4, lines 41 and 42 in L.D.) by striking out the
13 following: "The Department of Educational and Cultural Services"
and inserting in its place the following: 'Agencies of State
Government'

15 Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 7
17 and inserting in its place the following:

19 'Sec. 7. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are
21 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
this resolve.

23 1989-90 1990-91

25 **LEGISLATURE**

27 **Special Commission to Study and
Evaluate the Status of Education
Reform in Maine**

29 \$1,320 \$2,860
31 26,800 34,250

33 Provides funds for per diem,
35 meeting and related expenses
of the special commission.
37 Also provides funds in each
year to allow the special
39 commission to contract with
consultants or researchers.
Any unexpended funds
41 appropriated for fiscal year
1989-90 shall carry forward
43 to June 30, 1991.

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47 **TOTAL** \$28,120 \$37,110'

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