

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1038

House of Representatives, April 16, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MURPHY of Berwick.

Cosponsored by Senator ESTES of York, Senator CARPENTER of York and Representative FARNUM of South Berwick.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Provide for Discipline of Exceptional Students with Behavior Problems.

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

20-A MRSA §7209 is enacted to read:

§7209. Discipline

When a hearing is not required by law or by program policy, a special education program established under this chapter may use suspensions or other procedures applicable to a nonexceptional student to discipline an exceptional student for unacceptable behavior.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill allows special education programs greater latitude to suspend exceptional students for unacceptable behavior when hearings are not required by law. It is intended to supersede departmental regulations to the contrary.