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House of Representatives, April 17, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MORRISON of Bangor. Cosponsored by Representative NORTON of Winthrop.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act Relating to Level I and Level II Educational Technicians.



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

	Sec. 1.	5	MRSA	§17	7001, su	ıb-§42,	¶B,	as	repealed	and	replaced
by P	L 1989,	c.	878,	Pt.	D, §4,	is am	ende	l to	read:		

- B. Any employee of a public school who fills any position not included in paragraph A, the principal function of which is to introduce new learning to students, other than a former teacher aide hired as a level II or level III educational technician who does not meet the applicable standards for educational preparation for level II or level III educational technicians, contained in State Board Rule 115, Part I, section 14.2(b) and 14.3(b) of the State Board of Education;
 - Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §13022 is enacted to read:

§13022. Employment security of certain semiprofessional personnel

Any person hired by a school administrative unit as a level II or level III educational technician prior to September 1, 1990 who is eligible for employment as an educational technician under State Board Rule 115, Part I, section 14.9 of the State Board of Education is eligible to fill all positions for level II or level III educational technician within that school unit whether or not the person meets the standards of educational preparation for level II or level III educational technicians contained in State Board Rule 115, Part I, section 14.2(b) and 14.3(b) of the State Board of Education.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill provides job security within school districts to former teacher aides and assistants who are grandparented as level II or level III educational technicians in reliance on a rule interpretation made by the Department of Education. The bill further provides that former teacher aides do not become members of the Maine State Retirement System due to this change in employment status. The membership status of aides who belong to the retirement system due to employment in participating local districts is not affected by this bill.