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No. 680

S.P. 209

In Senate, February 25, 1993

An Act to Enhance the Role of the State Board of Education.

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Joy J. O'Brien'.

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator AMERO of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, CARPENTER of York, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, LUDWIG of Aroostook, MARDEN of Kennebec, O'DEA of Penobscot, PINGREE of Knox, Representatives: CLOUTIER of South Portland, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, PFEIFFER of Brunswick, PINETTE of Fort Kent, SIMONDS of Cape Elizabeth, SMALL of Bath.

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

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3 Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1989, c. 698,
4 §§11 and 12, is further amended by amending the first paragraph
5 to read:

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7 3. **Specific duties.** The state board shall--have has the
8 following specific powers and shall perform the following duties:

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10 Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶Q, as amended by PL 1989, c.
11 698, §11 and affected by §76, is further amended to read:

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13 O. Recommend funds to the Bureau of the Budget for
14 equalization of educational opportunity; and

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16 Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶Q, as amended by PL 1985, c.
17 797, §10, is further amended to read:

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19 Q. Serve as state agency for administering federal funds
20 for construction of school facilities and for vocational
21 education; and

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23 Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶¶S and T are enacted to read:

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25 S. Prepare and recommend to the Legislature a long-range
26 plan that defines the elements of an education designed to
27 promote the qualities of a citizenry that is well prepared
28 to serve the interests and welfare of the State's
29 communities and people; and

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31 T. Convene an advisory council on learning outcomes and
32 school performance that develops standards for learning
33 outcomes in public schools describing opportunities and the
34 quality of education that must be provided to all children.

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38 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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40 This bill adds to the powers and duties of the State Board
41 of Education by requiring the board to develop a long-range plan
42 for submission to the Legislature and by requiring an advisory
council to develop standards for learning outcomes.