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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 759, L.D. 1033, Bill, "An Act Relating to the Renewal of a Teacher Certificate That Has Lapsed for More Than 5 Years"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13012, sub-§2, ¶¶B and C, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 845, §4, are amended to read:

B. For secondary school, has graduated from an accredited, degree-granting, educational institution upon completion of:

- (1) A 4-year program in liberal arts and sciences; or
- (2) An approved 4-year teacher preparation program and has majored in the subject area to be taught; and

Has met other academic and preprofessional requirements established by the state board for teaching at the secondary school level; or

C. Is otherwise qualified by having met separate educational criteria for specialized teaching areas including, but not limited to, special education, home economics, agriculture, vocational education, art, music, business education, physical education and industrial arts, as established by the state board for teaching in these specialized areas. ; or

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §13012, sub-§2, ¶D is enacted to read:

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2 D. Has completed 6 credit hours of approved study within 5
4 years prior to application, has met entry level standards
6 and has held either a professional teacher certificate that
8 expired more than 5 years prior to the application date or a
10 provisional teacher certificate issued prior to July 1, 1988
12 that expired 5 years prior to the application date.

10 **Sec. 3. 20-A MRS §13013, sub-§2-A, ¶¶A and B,** as amended by
PL 1993, c. 435, §5, are further amended to read:

12 A. Holds a provisional teacher certificate and has taught
14 in a classroom for 2 academic years or has held a
16 professional teacher certificate that has lapsed within the
18 last 5 years. In this case an applicant must receive a
20 recommendation to the commissioner by an approved support
22 system pursuant to section 13015; or

24 B. Is a teacher with 5 or more years of experience teaching
26 within the 7 years prior to application in the State under a
28 valid certificate in another state and who has graduated
30 from a state-approved preparation program that utilizes the
32 standards of a national association of state directors of
34 teacher education and certification or a national council
for accreditation of teacher education or, with the
exception of the national teachers exam, meets entry-level
standards for the endorsement; or

30 **Sec. 4. 20-A MRS §13013, sub-§2-A, ¶C** is enacted to read:

32 C. Holds a provisional teacher certificate issued under
34 section 13012, subsection 2, paragraph D and has taught for
at least one year under a provisional teacher certificate.'

36 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
statement of fact the following:

38 **FISCAL NOTE**

40		1995-96	1996-97
42	REVENUES		
44	General Fund	\$2,000	\$2,000

46 Allowing certain additional individuals to become
48 recertified will increase General Fund revenue by \$2,000 annually
beginning in fiscal year 1995-96 from the additional
50 recertification fees paid.

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2 The Department of Education will incur some minor additional
3 costs to process additional recertification requests. These
4 costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted
5 resources.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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9 This amendment allows teachers with professional
10 certificates that have lapsed more than 5 years or with
11 provisional certificates issued prior to July 1, 1988 that have
12 lapsed more than 5 years to be granted provisional teaching
13 certificates provided they have recently completed 6 credit hours
14 of approved study and have met entry level requirements. The
15 bill requires teachers in these 2 categories to complete 12
16 credit hours of approved study.

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17 The bill repeals the requirement that teachers granted
18 provisional certificates work with a support system. The
19 amendment retains that provision.

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20 This amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.