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H.P. 887

House of Representatives, April 11, 1995

An Act to Establish Minimum Statewide Standards for Teachers' Salaries.

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative KEANE of Old Town. Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, CAMERON of Rumford, FISHER of Brewer, SAMSON of Jay, TUTTLE of Sanford.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13405 is enacted to read:
§13405. Minimum standards for salaries
1. Annual calculation. On January 1st each year the
Department of Education shall issue a minimum salary schedule for
teachers based on a nationwide average of salaries at each level
for states comparable to this State in both population and gross
state product.
2. Salary levels. Each school administrative unit and
state-operated school shall set minimum or base salaries for
certified teachers at levels no lower than those specified in the
salary schedule issued under subsection 1. Multi-year contracts
must be indexed to the schedule for subsequent years.
STATEMENT OF FACT
This bill ensures that the salaries for certified teachers
in all state schools are no lower than the average of salaries
for their counterparts in other states of comparable population and wealth.