

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 659

House of Representatives, February 2, 1999

An Act to Ensure the Efficacy of Learning Results.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative SKOGLUND of St. George.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, CLARK of Millinocket, JOY of
Crystal, PERKINS of Penobscot, STEDMAN of Hartland, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

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

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4 Sec. 1. PL 1995, c. 649, §11 is enacted to read:

6 Sec. 11. Lesson plans; recommended textbooks. The Department
8 of Education shall develop a set of detailed lesson plans for
10 each grade, kindergarten to grade 12, covering mathematics;
12 English; science and technology; social studies, including
14 history, economics and civics; career preparation; visual and
16 performing arts; health and physical education; and foreign
18 languages. The lesson plans must be designed to satisfy the
20 performance indicators and achieve the required level of
22 proficiency in the listed subject areas under the system of
24 learning results. The department shall also develop a
26 recommended list of textbooks for each grade level and subject
28 area. The department shall distribute the lesson plans and lists
30 of textbooks to public school educators not later than January 1,
32 2001 for use during the 2001-2002 school year. The materials
34 provided by the department under this section are to assist
 school administrative units and educators in implementing the
 system of learning results, but their use by school units and
 educators is optional. If the department fails to develop and
 provide the materials as provided in this section, this Act is
 repealed effective July 1, 2001.

SUMMARY

30 This bill directs the Department of Education to establish
32 lesson plans and recommended textbook lists to assist schools in
34 meeting the requirement of the learning results system. The
 plans and lists are to be made available for first use during the
 2001-2002 school year. If the department fails to meet that
 deadline, the learning results system is repealed.