

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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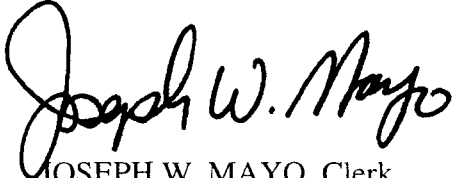
House of Representatives, February 9, 1999

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**An Act to Amend the Qualifications for Participation in the High School Aspirations Incentives Program.**

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

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative WATSON of Farmingdale.  
Cosponsored by Senator KONTOS of Cumberland and  
Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, COWGER of Hallowell, JABAR of Waterville,  
NORBERT of Portland, O'BRIEN of Augusta, POWERS of Rockport, QUINT of Portland,  
SAMSON of Jay.

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4772-A is enacted to read:

**§4772-A. Student eligibility; exception**

A secondary school student who does not meet the requirements of section 4772, subsection 2 is eligible under this chapter if that student:

1. Enrolled as sophomore. Is enrolled in grade 10 or higher in the student's school unit;

2. Recommendation. Has received a recommendation to take a postsecondary course or courses at an eligible institution from the student's school guidance counselor following an assessment of the student by the guidance counselor; and

3. Approval. Has been approved for participation in a course or courses by an eligible institution.

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SUMMARY

Last year a program was established to provide state subsidy for participation in postsecondary study by certain high school students. This bill expands the eligibility criteria for participation in that program.