

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

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Legislative Document

No. 1559

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S.P. 526

In Senate, March 2, 1999

**An Act to Establish a Maine Student Leadership Pilot Program.**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator PINGREE of Knox.

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

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**CONCEPT DRAFT  
SUMMARY**

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This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

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10 The bill proposes to authorize the Department of Education  
to contract with tax-exempt, nonprofit organizations to provide  
12 nontraditional, experiential education programs designed to  
increase high school students' leadership, team-building,  
14 community service, environmental stewardship and ethical  
decision-making abilities. The department would be charged with  
developing a pilot program to test the process for determining  
16 how, how many and which high schools would be selected to  
participate in this program. A General Fund appropriation of  
18 \$300,000 is proposed for the Department of Education for the  
2000-2001 biennium to implement the program.