

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2005

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No. 1048

S.P. 365

In Senate, March 1, 2005

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**Resolve, Directing the State Board of Education To Review the  
Authorization Requirements for Educational Technicians**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Joy J. O'Brien'.

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BARTLETT of Cumberland.  
Cosponsored by Representative NORTON of Bangor and  
Senators: MITCHELL of Kennebec, SCHNEIDER of Penobscot, SULLIVAN of York,  
TURNER of Cumberland, Representatives: BARSTOW of Gorham, CAIN of Orono,  
FARRINGTON of Gorham, MAKAS of Lewiston.

**Sec. 1. Review of authorization requirements. Resolved:** That the  
2 State Board of Education shall review the authorization  
requirements for Educational Technician II and Educational  
4 Technician III positions for the purpose of considering the  
establishment of an alternative pathway for applicants for those  
6 positions to demonstrate fulfillment of the authorization  
requirements through an appropriate national standardized test  
8 for paraprofessionals for these positions. In conducting its  
review, the State Board of Education shall consider whether  
10 assessment tests developed for prospective and practicing  
paraprofessionals adequately measure their skills and knowledge  
12 in reading, mathematics and writing as well as the ability to  
apply those skills and knowledge to assist in classroom  
14 instruction; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the State Board of Education  
16 shall submit a report together with any necessary implementing  
legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and  
18 Cultural Affairs by November 2, 2005. Following its receipt and  
20 review of the report, the Joint Standing Committee on Education  
and Cultural Affairs may report out a bill to the Second Regular  
22 Session of the 122nd Legislature.

## SUMMARY

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26 This resolve directs the State Board of Education to review  
28 the authorization requirements for Educational Technician II and  
Educational Technician III positions and to consider establishing  
30 an alternative pathway for applicants to demonstrate fulfillment  
of those requirements.