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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1167, L.D. 1656, Bill, "An Act To Retain Maine's Theater Teachers"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, To Retain Maine's Theater Arts and Dance Teachers'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, rules adopted by the Department of Education relating to requirements for specific certificates and endorsements for teachers are scheduled to become effective August 1, 2005; and

Whereas, this legislation exempts from application of the new requirements certain theater arts and dance teachers who are employed in an accredited public or private school in the State as of October 1, 2005; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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2           **Sec. 1. Rules; certification. Resolved:** That the State Board of  
Education shall amend Chapter 115: Certification, Authorization  
4 and Approval of Educational Personnel, a rule of the Department  
of Education, to permit certification of persons who are teaching  
6 theater arts or dance in the State as of October 1, 2005 and who  
hold valid certification to teach in the State and have completed  
8 a minimum of 2 school years or the equivalent of 2 school years  
of teaching theater arts or dance in an accredited public or  
10 private school in the State.

12           **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the  
preamble, this resolve takes effect when approved.'

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment replaces the title of the bill and changes  
the bill to a resolve that directs the State Board of Education  
20 to amend Chapter 115: Certification, Authorization and Approval  
of Educational Personnel in order to provide an exemption for  
22 certain theater arts and dance teachers who are employed in an  
accredited public or private school in the State as of October 1,  
24 2005 from additional requirements imposed by rules adopted by the  
State Board of Education on April 14, 2004 that are scheduled to  
26 become effective August 1, 2005.

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**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

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Approved: 05/19/05 *mac*

# 122nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1656

LR 2311(02)

**An Act To Retain Maine's Theater Teachers**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"**

**Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Education associated with amending Chapter 115: Certification, Authorization and Approval of Educational Personnel can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.