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L.D. 410

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Report B

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EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
123RD LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 326, L.D. 410, Bill, "An Act To Repeal the Certification and Authorization Fees for School Personnel"

Amend the bill by incorporating the attached fiscal note.

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 410

LR 1861(02)

An Act To Repeal the Certification and Authorization Fees for School Personnel

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

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	2007-08	2008-09	Projections 2009-10	Projections 2010-11
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$1,032,500	\$1,032,500	\$1,032,500	\$1,032,500
Revenue				
General Fund	(\$1,032,500)	(\$1,032,500)	(\$1,032,500)	(\$1,032,500)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Eliminating certification and authorization fees for teachers and other school personnel will reduce General Fund revenue by \$1,032,500 per year beginning in fiscal year 2007-08.

The Governor's recommended budget for the 2008-2009 biennium proposes to establish 2 Office Assistant II positions in the Support Systems program within the Department of Education to provide additional assistance in the Certification Office. The Governor's budget assumes the two positions will generate an additional \$108,840 and \$112,388 in General Fund revenue in fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09, respectively. The Governor proposed to use the additional revenue to fund the positions. Additional General Fund appropriations will be required to support the two positions if both the Governor's budget request for the positions and this legislation are approved.