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An Act To Promote Healthy School Lighting

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

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Presented by Representative BOLAND of Sanford.
Cosponsored by Senator TUTTLE of York and
Representatives: BROOKS of Winterport, HARLOW of Portland, STANLEY of Medway.

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

2   **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §15919** is enacted to read:

3 **§15919. School lighting**

4   For all new or replacement classroom lighting, a public school shall install and
5 maintain lighting that meets color rendition standards adopted by rule by the department.
6 Standards adopted by the department must ensure that the lighting has a color rendering
7 index value of 90 or higher as determined in accordance with procedures and standards
8 established by the International Commission on Illumination or as verified by the United
9 States Department of Energy. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical
10 rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

11 **SUMMARY**

12   This bill requires all public schools to install and maintain, for all new or replacement
13 classroom lighting, lighting that meets color rendition standards adopted by rule by the
14 Department of Education. Standards adopted by the department must ensure that the
15 lighting has a color rendering index value of 90 or higher as determined in accordance
16 with procedures and standards established by the International Commission on
17 Illumination or as verified by the United States Department of Energy.