

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 847

House of Representatives, March 28, 2017

### An Act To Clarify Collective Bargaining in School Districts

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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 "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative SYLVESTER of Portland.

Cosponsored by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec and Representative: HANDY of Lewiston.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §965, sub-§1, ¶C**, as amended by PL 2009, c. 107, §5, is  
3 further amended to read:

4 C. To confer and negotiate in good faith with respect to wages, hours, working  
5 conditions and contract grievance arbitration, except that by such obligation neither  
6 party may be compelled to agree to a proposal or be required to make a concession  
7 and except that public employers of teachers shall meet and consult ~~but not~~ and may  
8 negotiate with respect to educational policies; for the purpose of this paragraph,  
9 educational policies may not include wages, hours, working conditions or contract  
10 grievance arbitration;

11 **SUMMARY**

12 This bill allows, but does not require, public employers of teachers to negotiate with  
13 respect to educational policies.