

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 302

House of Representatives, February 7, 2023

### **Resolve, to Amend the Rules Regarding Athletic Director Qualifications**

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

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ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative NEWMAN of Belgrade.  
Cosponsored by Representative O'CONNELL of Brewer, Senator HARRINGTON of York and  
Representatives: FOSTER of Dexter, LANDRY of Farmington, NESS of Fryeburg, PARRY of  
Arundel, SAMPSON of Alfred.

**Sec. 1. Department of Education to amend rules regarding athletic director qualifications. Resolved:** That the Department of Education shall amend its rules in Chapter 115: The Credentialing of Education Personnel, Part II, Requirements for Specific Certificates and Endorsements, Section 1.14, Certificate 215: Athletic Director regarding renewal requirements to allow a person to serve as an athletic director if the person:

1. Holds a valid Maine administrator certificate other than a Teaching Principal's certificate or completes a minimum of 3 semester hours in diversity-centered content related to today's classroom, such as culturally responsive teaching, multicultural education, intercultural education, second language acquisition or world language teaching methods; and

2. Has a basic level of knowledge in all of the following areas:

### A. Interscholastic Athletics: Philosophy, Organization, and Programs;

B. Athletic Administration: Principles, Strategies, and Methods; and

### C. Athletic Administration: Legal Issues.

## SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Education to amend its rules regarding athletic directors to allow a person to either hold a valid Maine administrator certificate other than a Teaching Principal's certificate or complete a minimum of 3 semester hours in diversity-centered content related to today's classroom in order to be an athletic director. The department's current rules require a person to do both.