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Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Update Course Requirements for Certification of Industrial Arts Teachers and to Finally Adopt Major Substantive Rules

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

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Presented by Representative CARLOW of Buxton. Cosponsored by Representatives: ARDELL of Monticello, BABIN of Fort Fairfield, POMERLEAU of Standish. Sec. 1. Resolve 2019, c. 101, §1-A, enacted. Resolved: That Resolve 2019, c. 101, §1-A is enacted to read:

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Sec. 1-A. Final adoption date. Resolved: That the Department of Education shall finally adopt the rules in section 1 no later than January 1, 2024.

5 Sec. 2. Department of Education to update course requirements for certification of industrial arts teachers. Resolved: That, no later than January 1, 6 7 2024, the Department of Education shall update its rules for certification of kindergarten 8 to grade 12 industrial arts or engineering and technology teachers by aligning the technical 9 requirements for certification with course offerings of the University of Maine System and to allow an engineer licensed under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapter 19 or 10 with comparable licensure in another jurisdiction to be eligible for certification as a 11 12 kindergarten to grade 12 industrial arts or engineering and technology teacher without the 13 course requirements.

SUMMARY

15 This resolve directs the Department of Education, no later than January 1, 2024, to 16 update its rules for certification of kindergarten to grade 12 industrial arts or engineering 17 and technology teachers to align the technical requirements for certification with course 18 offerings of the University of Maine System and to allow licensed engineers to be eligible 19 for certification as kindergarten to grade 12 industrial arts or engineering and technology 20 teachers without being required to take the courses. The resolve also amends Resolve 2019, 21 chapter 101 regarding final legislative approval of rules for credentialing education 22 personnel to direct the department to finally adopt the rules no later than January 1, 2024.