

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2023

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No. 1148

S.P. 475

In Senate, March 13, 2023

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**An Act to Prohibit COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates for Students  
Enrolled in Public Institutions of Learning**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.  
Cosponsored by Representative GREENWOOD of Wales and  
Senators: KEIM of Oxford, LIBBY of Cumberland, MOORE of Washington, STEWART of  
Aroostook, TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin, Representatives: BOYER of Poland, HYMES of  
Waldo, NESS of Fryeburg.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §10016** is enacted to read:

3 **§10016. Certain vaccines not required**

4 The University of Maine System, the Maine Community College System and the  
5 Maine Maritime Academy may not require as a condition of acceptance or attendance that  
6 a student be immunized with a vaccine that is approved by the federal Food and Drug  
7 Administration under emergency use authorization.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill prohibits certain postsecondary educational institutions from requiring a  
10 student to be immunized with a vaccine that is approved by the federal Food and Drug  
11 Administration under emergency use authorization.