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LAWS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

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RESOLVES

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED AT THE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

of the

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

1985

CHAPTER 52

H.P. 644 - L.D. 914

RESOLVE, Creating a Special Commission to Study Teacher Training in the University of Maine System.

Special commission created. Resolved: The Senate concurring, that a Special Commission to Study Teacher Training in the University of Maine System, referred to as the commission, be established to review teacher preparation programs at the campuses of the University of Maine, report its findings to the people of the State and make recommendations to the First Regular Session of the 113th Legislature; and be it further

Membership. Resolved: That the commission shall consist of 13 members selected jointly by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate. Three of the members shall be members of the Joint Standing Committee on Education; one shall be a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine; one shall be a member of the State Board of Education; one shall be a member of the New England Board of Higher Education; one shall be a member of the National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Educators; 3 shall be heads of colleges, departments, divisions or offices of education at campuses of the University of Maine; one shall be an elementary or secondary school administrator; one shall be an elementary school teacher and one shall be a secondary school teacher. The members shall select a chairman from among themselves; and be it further

Reimbursement. Resolved: That members of the commission shall not be paid per diem. Members of the commission who are Legislators shall be reimbursed for expenses as provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2. Members of the commission who are not Legislators shall be reimbursed for expenses in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 379; and be it further

Issues to be considered. Resolved: That the commission examine the status of teacher preparation at the University of Maine, including the following:

1. Admission requirements for prospective teachers, including test scores, grade point average and other criteria;

- 2. Profile of incoming teachers as compared to other students based on test scores, grade point average and other criteria;
- 3. Motivation of incoming teachers determined by a survey conducted by the commission or other appropriate means;
- 4. Graduation requirements, including practicum experience;
- 5. Career counseling provided to prospective teachers:
- 6. Placement of graduates of teacher preparation programs;
- 7. Assessment of student and graduate opinions of the teacher preparation programs determined by a survey of recent graduates conducted by the commission:
- 8. Teacher preparation methods employed in undergraduate and graduate programs;
- 9. Professional staff -- qualifications and rate of turnover:
- 10. Materials and resources available for teacher preparation programs;
- 11. Appropriateness of the level of funding of teacher preparation programs;
- 12. Impact of the new certification law on teacher preparation programs; and
- 13. Comparison of programs' offerings between campuses; and be if further

Legislative conference on teacher training. Resolved: That following consideration of the issues listed in this resolve, the commission shall schedule a series of public meetings to be known as the Legislative Conference on Teacher Training. The purpose of the conference shall be to present the commission's findings on the status of teacher training in Maine and to receive public comments on that status and ways in which it may be improved. The meetings shall be scheduled at a convenient place and time in the evening and shall be widely advertised to encourage attendance by interested persons; and be it further

Report to the Legislature. Resolved: That the commission shall report its recommendations, including recommendations for changes, if any, to the First Regular Session of the 113th Legislature. The report shall include any necessary implementing legislation, estimates of the cost of implementation and possible funding options; and be it further

Staff. Resolved: That the commission may request staff assistance from the Legislative Council; and be it further

Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

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All Other	\$6,700	\$4,300

Effective July 16, 1986.

CHAPTER 53

H.P. 1370 - L.D. 1934

Resolve, Relating to the Joint Select Committee on Economic Development.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Joint Select Committee on Economic Development has been established to undertake a comprehensive study of the Maine economy; and

Whereas, the committee has not been organized or called any meetings; and

Whereas, the committee is required by current law to report to the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature; and

Whereas, it is necessary to change the reporting date for this select committee; and