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History and Final Disposition

LD 695 / HP0471

Original Title: An Act To Empower Parents in the Education of Their Children by Allowing an Opt-out from Standardized Assessments. New Title: An Act To Clarify Statewide Assessment Program Options. Presented by Representative GIDEON of Freeport. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. Public Hearing 05/11/15. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) H-295. Final Disposition: Enacted, Veto Sustained 06/22/15.

Original Bill

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Analyst's Summary of Bill

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Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(H-295\) \(LD 695 2015\) \(Minority\) \(Passed\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, March 5, 2015 \(H139-145\)](#)

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- p. S-942 (Amendment(s) H-295)

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- p. H-1024 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)) (Amendment(s) H-295)

[SENATE, June 23, 2015 \(S1263-1317\)](#)

- p. S-1270

News Articles

Bill calls for notices on right to opt out of school testing (Gallagher, Noel K.) (Portland Press Herald, 2/23/2015, p. A1, A5) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD06xx/nc127-ld-0695/P1502054.pdf)

Testing opt-out movement, Common Core pushback hit Maine Legislature (McCrea, Nick) (Bangor Daily News, 5/12/2015, p. B1, B3) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD06xx/nc127-ld-0695/B1505071.pdf)

Legislative committee votes to throw out Smarter Balance test (Washuk, Bonnie) (Sun-Journal (Lewiston), 5/19/2015, p. A1, A7) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD06xx/nc127-ld-0695/D1505075.pdf)

Department of Education warns students who opt out of testing may not graduate (McCrea, Nick) (Bangor Daily News, 5/23/2015, p. A1, A5) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD06xx/nc127-ld-0695/B1505155.pdf)

Standardized testing opt-out bill revived by Maine House, Senate (McCrea, Nick) (Bangor Daily News, 6/9/2015, p. B1, B2) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD06xx/nc127-ld-0695/B1506046.pdf)

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