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**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1008 / HP0644

An Act to Establish a Rating System for Books in School Libraries. Presented by Representative DRINKWATER of Milford. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. Public Hearing 05/04/23. Final Disposition: Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report 06/13/23.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1008 \(131st Legis. 2023\)](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

- (Master file available on request—please include citation: cf131-LD-1008.pdf)

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(EDU\) \(05/04/2023\)](#)

[Work Session \(Audio File\) \(EDU\) \(05/23/2023\)](#)

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**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(H-415\) \(LD 1008 2023\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[SENATE, March 7, 2023 \(S-226-247\)](#)

p. S-244

[HOUSE, March 7, 2023 \(H-165-179\)](#)

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[HOUSE, June 12, 2023 \(H-702-761\)](#)

p. H-730 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p735)) (Amendment(s) H-415)

[SENATE, June 13, 2023 \(S-1097-1153\)](#)

p. S-1107 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1108)) (Amendment(s) H-415)

**News Articles**

Maine schools facing a complicated future (Jill Goldthwait) (Ellsworth American, 3/24/2023, p. B6) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD10xx/nc131-LD-1008/Ellsworth American 230323D.pdf)

Proposals that restrict books, race discussions draw fire (Lena Cohen) (Portland Press Herald, 5/5/2023, p. A1, A5) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD10xx/nc131-LD-1008/PPH 230505C.pdf)

Lawmakers defeat bill to start rating system for school books (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 6/13/2023, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD10xx/nc131-LD-1008/PPH 230613C.pdf)

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