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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
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BILL SUMMARY



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LD:

1027

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT ORONO TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM

BOST MILLS STEVENS P BALDACCI

LU-WD

HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

This bill would have changed the name of the University of Maine to the University of Maine System and the name of the campus of the University of Maine located at Orono to the University of Maine.

LD:

1028

AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE LAWS ON SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAMS

BROWN A
BROWN L
HANDY
FOSS

OTP-AM

HOUSE Enacted
SENATE Enacted
GOV SIGNED

PUBLIC
CH # 258

H-172 CA

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SUMMARY:

The bill does a number of things to clarify the laws pertaining to school health programs. First, it defines the duties of a school physician in broad terms so as to allow the school unit flexibility in determining how the services should be organized and provided. It clearly requires school units to appoint a school physician. Present statute includes the ambiguous phrase "provided funds have been appropriated." Second, the bill requires schools to appoint at least one school nurse to "supervise and coordinate the health services and health related activities required" by Maine's education statutes. Third, the bill clarifies the procedures and criteria related to the prohibition against schools employing persons with infectious tuberculosis.

CA-H-172: The Committee Amendment removed specific authority for the Commissioner of Education to establish rules concerning the "functions of school nurses" which is already provided for in the section governing the duties of the "school nurse coordinator" employed by the Department of Education.