

# **125th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

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House of Representatives, February 1, 2011

### An Act To Change the Notice Period for Terminating Teachers' Contracts

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

Heath & Print

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Clerk

Presented by Representative HARVELL of Farmington. (BY REQUEST)

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13201, 5th ¶, as amended by PL 1985, c. 797, §51, is
further amended to read:

The right to terminate a contract, after due notice of  $90 \ 30$  days, is reserved to the school board when changes in local conditions warrant the elimination of the teaching position for which the contract was made. The order of layoff and recall shall be is a negotiable item in accordance with the procedures set forth in Title 26, chapter 9-A, <del>provided that in</del>. In any negotiated agreement, the criteria negotiated by the school board and the bargaining agent to establish the order of layoff and recall may include, but shall <u>may</u> not be limited to, seniority.

#### 11 SUMMARY

12 This bill reduces from 90 days to 30 days the period in which a school board may 13 terminate a teacher's contract when changes in local conditions warrant the termination.