

STATE OF MAINE

—
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

—
S.P. 157 - L.D. 428

An Act To Amend the Powers and Duties of the State Board of Education

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶U, as amended by PL 2005, c. 611, §1, is further amended to read:

U. Review the organization of school administrative units statewide to identify current cooperative agreements between school administrative units. Cooperative agreements may include, but are not limited to: purchasing or contract agreements; administrative functions; shared staff and staff training; and technology initiatives. Based on the review, and in consultation with the department, the state board may recommend that school administrative units develop and carry out a plan for a cooperative agreement with one or more other school administrative units. "Cooperative agreement" may include agreements between school administrative units and career and technical education regions and career and technical education centers; ~~and~~

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶V, as amended by PL 2005, c. 611, §2, is further amended to read:

V. Study school administrative unit configuration statewide; ~~and~~

Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §405, sub-§3, ¶W is enacted to read:

W. Enter into an interstate reciprocity agreement regarding postsecondary distance education, administer the agreement and approve or disapprove an application to participate in the agreement from a postsecondary institution that has its principal campus in the State.