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### **An Act To Further Ensure Effective Teaching and School Leadership**

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative KUSIAK of Fairfield.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13008, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 635, Pt. B, §1, is  
3 amended to read:

4 **2. Data collection.** The department shall collect data relating to educator  
5 preparation programs, including but not limited to the following information with respect  
6 to each educator preparation program:

7 A. The number of program completers; and

8 B. The number of program completers who pass certification tests and the number  
9 of those who attain provisional licensure in the State; and

10 ~~C. The number of program completers who proceed from provisional licensure to~~  
11 ~~professional licensure; and~~

12 ~~D. The number of program completers who are teaching in schools in this State 3~~  
13 ~~and 5 years after they complete that educator preparation program.~~

14 **Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §13705, sub-§1** is enacted to read:

15 **1. Phase-in grants; contingent extension of full implementation.** During the  
16 phase-in period under this section, the department, if funds are available, shall make  
17 annual phase-in grants to each school administrative unit equal to 1/10 of 1% of the  
18 school administrative unit's total cost of education calculated under section 15688,  
19 subsection 1 to be used in the manner determined by the school administrative unit to  
20 fund the costs of meeting the phase-in requirements not otherwise subsidized by the State.  
21 The date for school administrative units to implement a performance evaluation and  
22 professional growth system as set forth in this section is extended one year for each year  
23 for which transition grants are not made available to school units or for which the level of  
24 general purpose aid for local schools falls below the required 55% state share of the total  
25 cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as set forth in section  
26 15671, subsection 1.

27 **Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §13706**, as enacted by PL 2011, c. 635, Pt. A, §3, is amended  
28 to read:

29 **§13706. Rules**

30 The department shall adopt rules to implement this chapter, including but not limited  
31 to a rule relating to the method of identifying the educator or educators whose  
32 effectiveness ratings are affected by the measurement of learning or growth of a  
33 particular student. The department shall also adopt rules pertaining to the approval of  
34 performance evaluation and professional growth systems pursuant to section 13702. The  
35 department shall amend or adopt rules that specify the appropriate qualifications and  
36 training protocols that are necessary to ensure that school administrative units are  
37 employing qualified evaluators to implement the performance evaluation and professional  
38 growth system pursuant to section 13704, subsection 5. Rules adopted pursuant to this  
39 section are major substantive rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

