



# 129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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## An Act To Protect Teachers from Punitive or Retaliatory Transfers

### Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

**Sponsor: Rep. McCrea of Fort Fairfield**

**Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

### State Mandates

**Required Activity**

Requires local school boards to hold a hearing within 15 days of receiving a request from a teacher who has been involuntarily transferred to another location or teaching assignment and who believes the involuntary transfer is for punitive or retaliatory reasons. This may be a state mandate whenever an additional board meeting must be held because no regularly scheduled board meeting will occur within the 15 day time period.

**Unit Affected**

School

**Local Cost**

Insignificant statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.