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

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRS §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, ~~provided that in.~~ 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~~may not be limited to, seniority.

### **SUMMARY**

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