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## **An Act To Prohibit a Requirement That a Superintendent Reside in the School Administrative Unit**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** qualified applicants for a position of superintendent may currently be disqualified because of a school board requirement that the superintendent must reside within the school administrative unit; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §1051, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

**7. Residence.** Notwithstanding any local ordinance or charter to the contrary, a school board may not require that a superintendent reside in a municipality that is included within the school administrative unit.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill prohibits school boards from requiring that a superintendent reside in a municipality that is included within the school administrative unit.