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## **An Act Regarding the Effect on Collective Bargaining Agreements of Failure To Validate a School Budget**

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

**Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §975** is enacted to read:

### **§ 975. Effect of failure to approve a school budget**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a public employer may not enter into a collective bargaining agreement that covers teachers employed by a school administrative unit as defined in Title 20-A, section 1, subsection 26 unless the voters of the school administrative unit have approved the collective bargaining agreement as part of the process for approval of the budget for the school administrative unit.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill provides that a public employer may not enter into a collective bargaining agreement that covers teachers employed by a school administrative unit unless the voters of the school administrative unit have approved the collective bargaining agreement as part of the process for approval of the budget for the school administrative unit.