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An Act to Update the System of Learning Results Review Timeline

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6209, sub-§4**, as amended by PL 2019, c. 196, §2, is further
3 amended to read:

4 **4. Review cycle.** The commissioner shall conduct a review of the content standards
5 and performance indicators by content area on a ~~5-year cycle beginning in the 2015-2016~~
6 7-year cycle beginning in the 2025-2026 school year. The review of the content standards
7 and performance indicators for the content area of social studies, including student
8 achievement of proficiency in personal finance, must be included in the commissioner's
9 review ~~during the 2015-2016 school year~~. Any changes that are recommended must be
10 approved through the same process used for establishment of the system of learning results.
11 ~~Beginning in the 2016-2017 school year, the~~ The commissioner shall review and make
12 recommendations for objective measures that may be used to substantiate school
13 certifications of postsecondary readiness. The review of the content standards and
14 performance indicators for the content area of health, physical education and wellness,
15 including instruction on affirmative consent, communication and decision making
16 regarding sexual activity and the effects of alcoholic drinks, stimulants and narcotics on
17 the ability to give affirmative consent, communicate and make appropriate decisions, must
18 be included in the commissioner's review ~~beginning in the 2019-2020 school year~~.

19 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill extends the Department of Education's system of learning results review cycle
21 length from 5 years to 7 years.