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House of Representatives, March 5, 2019

An Act To Address Maine's Firefighter Shortage by Offering Firefighter Training for Credit in High School Career and Technical Education Programs

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative ANDREWS of Paris. Cosponsored by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec and

Representatives: FECTEAU of Augusta, MASTRACCIO of Sanford, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, MORRIS of Turner, PICKETT of Dixfield, SAMPSON of Alfred, STEWART of

Presque Isle, Senator: TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §8308 is enacted to read:
3	§8308. Firefighter training
4	Notwithstanding the provisions of section 8306-B, subsection 2, a center or region
5	may offer as a career and technical education program firefighter training that meets the
6	requirements of section 8306-B, subsection 3. The program shall use National Fire
7	Protection Association standards for fire fighter professional qualifications as the industry
8	standard under section 8306-B, subsection 3.
9	SUMMARY
10	This bill allows career and technical education centers and regions to offer firefighter
11	training as an approved program and requires the program to use National Fire Protection
12	Association standards for fire fighter professional qualifications as the industry standard
13	for the firefighter training.