

STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

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H.P. 300 - L.D. 461

**An Act To Change the Notification Deadline for the Nonrenewal of a  
Teacher's Contract**

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13201, 2nd ¶**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 420, Pt. F, §1 and affected by §2, is further amended to read:

After a probationary period of 3 years, subsequent contracts of duly certified teachers must be for not less than 2 years. Unless a duly certified teacher receives written notice to the contrary at least 6 months before the terminal date of the contract, the contract must be extended automatically for one year and similarly in subsequent years, except for duly certified teachers who received a summative effectiveness rating indicating ineffectiveness pursuant to chapter 508 for the preceding school year. The right to an extension for a longer period of time through a new contract is specifically reserved to the contracting parties. Unless a duly certified teacher who received a summative effectiveness rating indicating ineffectiveness pursuant to chapter 508 for the preceding school year receives written notice to the contrary from the superintendent not later than May 15th, the contract must be extended automatically for one year.