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House of Representatives, February 7, 2023

Resolve, to Amend the Rules Regarding Athletic Director **Qualifications**

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

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Presented by Representative NEWMAN of Belgrade.

Cosponsored by Representative O'CONNELL of Brewer, Senator HARRINGTON of York and Representatives: FOSTER of Dexter, LANDRY of Farmington, NESS of Fryeburg, PARRY of Arundel, SAMPSON of Alfred.

1 Sec. 1. Department of Education to amend rules regarding athletic director 2 qualifications. Resolved: That the Department of Education shall amend its rules in Chapter 115: The Credentialing of Education Personnel, Part II, Requirements for Specific 3 Certificates and Endorsements, Section 1.14, Certificate 215: Athletic Director regarding 4 renewal requirements to allow a person to serve as an athletic director if the person: 5 1. Holds a valid Maine administrator certificate other than a Teaching Principal's 6 7 certificate or completes a minimum of 3 semester hours in diversity-centered content 8 related to today's classroom, such as culturally responsive teaching, multicultural education, intercultural education, second language acquisition or world language teaching 9 10 methods; and 2. Has a basic level of knowledge in all of the following areas: 11 12

- A. Interscholastic Athletics: Philosophy, Organization, and Programs;
- B. Athletic Administration: Principles, Strategies, and Methods; and
- C. Athletic Administration: Legal Issues.

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This resolve directs the Department of Education to amend its rules regarding athletic directors to allow a person to either hold a valid Maine administrator certificate other than a Teaching Principal's certificate or complete a minimum of 3 semester hours in diversitycentered content related to today's classroom in order to be an athletic director. The department's current rules require a person to do both.