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## TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF

L.D. 275

### AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETIREMENT LAWS PERTAINING TO CERTAIN EDUCATIONAL TECHNICIANS

Senator Rafferty, Representative Sylvester and members of the Labor and Housing Committee, I am Steven Bailey, executive director of Maine School Management Association, testifying on behalf of the legislative committees of the Maine School Boards Association and Maine School Superintendents Association in support of L.D. 275.

This bill will correct an earlier drafting error in language that assumed all Education Technicians paid into the Maine State Retirement System. Certified school staff are part of the retirement system, and Education Technicians II and III are certified. What we refer to as Education Technicians I do not pay into the system because they are not certified. This bill is necessary to correct the error and avoid confusion in the field.