

STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE

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H.P. 1271 - L.D. 1716

**An Act To Ensure Full Payment of the State's Salary Supplement Obligation  
to Teachers with National Board Certification**

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §13007, sub-§2, ¶D**, as amended by PL 2017, c. 235, §6 and affected by §41, is further amended to read:

D. Report and pay ~~no more than \$335,000~~ in each fiscal year from fees collected pursuant to subsection 1 to the Treasurer of State to be credited to the National Board Certification Salary Supplement Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account within the Department of Education an amount sufficient to fund all salary supplements for national board-certified teachers as described in section 13013-A, subsections 1 and 2. If the fees are insufficient to fully fund the annual national board certification salary supplements, general purpose aid must be appropriated to fund the balance.

**Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §15689-A, sub-§7**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 2, Pt. D, §61 and affected by §§72 and 74 and c. 12, Pt. WW, §18, is amended to read:

**7. Disbursement limitations.** The funds disbursed in accordance with this section are limited to the amounts appropriated by the Legislature for these purposes except as provided in subsection 12.

**Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §15689-A, sub-§12**, as amended by PL 2011, c. 702, §3, is further amended to read:

**12. National board certification salary supplement.** The commissioner ~~may~~ shall pay annual salary supplement payments to school administrative units or a publicly supported secondary school for payment to school teachers who have attained certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards or its successor organization pursuant to section 13007, subsection 2, paragraph D and section 13013-A.

**Sec. 4. Effective date.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2023.