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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 203, L.D. 240, Bill, “An Act To Allow Public Employers of Teachers to Negotiate Regarding Educational Policies”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Allow Public Employers of Teachers to Negotiate Regarding Planning and Preparation Periods'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §965, sub-§1, ¶C, as amended by PL 2009, c. 107, §5, is further amended to read:

C. To confer and negotiate in good faith with respect to wages, hours, working conditions, planning and preparation periods and contract grievance arbitration, except that by such obligation neither party may be compelled to agree to a proposal or be required to make a concession and except that public employers of teachers shall meet and consult but not negotiate with respect to educational policies; for the purpose of this paragraph, educational policies may not include wages, hours, working conditions or contract grievance arbitration. Planning and preparation periods are not educational policies;'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment specifies that planning and preparation periods are mandatory items of collective bargaining and may not be considered matters of educational policy exempted from mandatory collective bargaining.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT