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An Act To Require Education about the Holocaust

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

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock. Cosponsored by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth and Senator: BELLOWS of Kennebec.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4710-C is enacted to read:
3	§4710-C. Instruction in the Holocaust
4	Instruction in the Holocaust must be provided in and required for graduation from all
5	elementary and secondary schools, both public and private. The commissioner shall
6	develop the curriculum and course of study on the Holocaust to be used by a school in
7	carrying out the purposes of this section. For purposes of this section, "Holocaust" is the
8	program of discriminatory and genocidal laws, policies or actions targeted against
9	discrete groups of individuals based on race, religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation,
10	physical disability or national origin, from January 1, 1933 to December 31, 1945, in
11	Nazi Germany or in any European country allied with or occupied by Nazi Germany.
12	SUMMARY
13	This bill requires instruction in the Holocaust developed by the Commissioner of
14	Education to be provided in and required for graduation from all elementary and
15	secondary schools, both public and private.