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EXHIBIT #VII.B.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Thomas A. Desjardin, Acting Commissioner*

DATE: July 15, 2015

SUBJECT: Consideration of the State Review Team's Report of findings and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) for the University of Maine College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) NCATE Accreditation Action Report

BACKGROUND: A joint on-site state and NCATE program approval was conducted October 18-20, 2014. The State review team report was submitted to the State Board of Education for review on January 14, 2015 meeting and held in abeyance until the NCATE organization made its national accreditation decision. The State Board of Education received the NCATE Accreditation Action Report at the June 10, 2015 meeting. The following degree programs leading to initial or advanced certification are offered by the Unit:

- Bachelor of Science in Education,
- Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) – [for liberal arts and sciences graduates of accredited 4- year colleges/universities],
- Bachelor of Science – (Music Education),
- Bachelor of Arts – (Arts Education),
- Master of Science in Teaching (MST) – [these degrees comprise the Unit's primary initial teacher preparation programs
 - Music Education and Art Education [are nationally accredited programs],

While the CEHD offers initial licensure programs in teacher education, it also offers the following graduate programs for advanced and other professionals:

- Literacy Education,
- Science Education,
- Special Education,
- Educational Leadership,
- Counselor Education,
- Computer Assisted Instruction, and
- Information Technology.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board of Education grant renewal of state program approval for the following University of Maine educator preparation programs leading to initial teacher certification: Bachelor of Science in Education; Master of Arts in Teaching; Bachelor of Music; Bachelor of Arts; and Bachelor of Science in Teaching; as well as the following graduate programs for Advanced and Other School Professionals: Counselor Education; Educational Leadership; Instructional Technology; Literacy Education; Special Education; and Science Education from October 2014 to October 2021.

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