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OF R.

STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
106TH LEGISLATURE

SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to H.P. 1561, L.D. 1994, Bill, "AN ACT
Equalizing the Financial Support of School Units."

Amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated "§3713."
by adding at the end of subsection 3 the following:

'E. Whenever a unit's school tax rate for the preceding year is less than the school tax rate determined by the State Tax Assessor as required in sections 451 and 453 of Title 36 and the sum levied by the State Tax Assessor is greater than the unit's school tax rate of the preceding year by more than 2 1/2 mills on state valuation adjusted to 100%, the unit's allocation shall be adjusted as set forth below. A unit's school tax rate shall be determined by dividing the amount appropriated for school purposes from property taxes, less any adjustment made under this subsection, by state valuation adjusted to 100%.

To the unit's allocation as determined in subsection 2 and this subsection, shall be added a sum equal to the difference between the unit's school appropriation of the preceding year plus 2 1/2 mills and the amount required by the State Tax Assessor in Title 36, sections 451 and 453. A unit's school tax rate as adjusted under this subsection shall be used in determining whether or not future adjustments shall be made in subsequent years. Any adjustment paid to a unit as a result of this subsection shall be credited to the general fund of the unit and may be used for municipal purposes upon proper authorization by that unit. An

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adjustment under this subsection is not subject to subsections 8 and 9.'

Further amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated "§ 3713." by striking out in the 4th line of subsection 7 (same in L.D.) the underlined figure "5" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '2 1/2'

Further amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated "§3713." by striking out in the 4th line of subsection 7 (same in L.D.) the underlined word "current"

Further amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated "§3713." by adding in the 5th line of subsection 7 (same in L.D.) after the underlined word^s/unit" the following underlined words: 'adjusted to 100% valuation'

Further amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated "§3713." by striking out in the 6th line of subsection 7 (same in L.D.) the underlined figure "\$25" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '\$50'

Further amend said Bill by striking out the last paragraph of section 6.

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the intent of the bill as it relates to local tax assessments.

(Katz)

NAME:

COUNTY: Kennebec

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