

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "J" to H.P.1437,L.D. 1452, Bill, "AN ACT to Fund Public School Education."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

'Sec. 1. 20 MRSA §220, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 780, §1, is further amended by adding after the 3rd paragraph a new paragraph to read:

Total expenditures for purchases of school buses used in transportation of elementary and secondary students approved by the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services during any single year shall not exceed \$3,000,000. The amount of this limitation shall be reviewed annually by the Legislature to see if a change is warranted.

Further amend said Bill by renumbering sections 1 to 45 to be 2 to 46.

Statement of Fact

Earlier this year the Legislature provided the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services with authority to approve bus purchases. That bill did not place any fiscal restraint on that authority. This amendment would limit the amount of authorization to \$3,000,000, and further require the Legislature to review this limitation annually.

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