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STATE OF MAINE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

132ND LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 830, L.D. 1255, "An Act to Ensure In-state Tuition for Postsecondary Students Who Are Registered to Vote in the State and to Amend Eligibility Requirements for the Free Community College Tuition Program"

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

'An Act to Require That an Individual Enrolled in the Free Community College Tuition Program Lives in the State Prior to Enrollment at a Community College'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1.

Amend the bill in section 2 in that part designated Sec. QQQ-3 in subsection 2 by striking out all of paragraph B-1 (page 2, lines 9 and 10 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'B-1. Reside in the State for at least one year prior to enrollment in a Maine community college.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, reduces a person's residence requirement in the State prior to enrollment in a Maine community college in order to be eligible for free tuition in the Maine Community College System from at least 2 years in the bill to at least one year. The amendment also removes from eligibility being a graduate of a high school in the State in lieu of the residency requirement. The amendment removes all provisions in the bill that would have provided in-state tuition rates at postsecondary schools to students registered to vote in the State.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



Approved: 05/19/25 **LRL**

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LD 1255

LR 1431(02)

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Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-310)
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential future biennium savings - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Requiring a person to reside in the State for at least 1 year prior to enrollment in a Maine community college in order to be eligible for the Maine Community College System Free Community College - 2 Enrollment Years program reduce the total cost to the State to fund the program. The amount can not be estimated at this time.