

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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Whereas, it is imperative that polling places in this State be made accessible to physically limited and elderly citizens; and

Whereas, it is vitally important for this conversion to begin at the earliest possible time to avoid unnecessary hardship and to have some facilities ready for the next general election; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

21 MRSA § 604, sub-§ 4 is enacted to read:

4. Physically accessible. Any voting district which has no physically accessible voting place shall provide that any voting places relocated or added within any voting district shall be made physically accessible to all eligible voters.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective May 15, 1979

CHAPTER 220

H. P. 1401 — L. D. 1615

AN ACT to Establish the Subsidy Index for Educational Funding for the Fiscal Year 1979-80 and to Appropriate the Necessary Funds Therefor.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the subsidy index under current law has to be established prior to May 15th; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following

legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Subsidy index. The subsidy index for computing 1979-80 local allocations shall be established at 9.6 mills.

Sec. 2. 20 MRSA § 4750, sub-§ 2, ¶ A, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 625, § 8, is amended to read:

A. The commissioner shall annually, on or before May ~~15th~~ **21st**, notify the school committees or school directors of each administrative unit of the amount allocated to the unit.

Sec. 3. 20 MRSA § 4751, sub-§ 3, ¶ A, first sentence, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 625, § 8, is amended to read:

The legislative body of an administrative unit may, in addition to the unit's state-local allocation under sections 4748 and 4749, authorize an additional expenditure for either elementary or secondary pupils, or both, not to exceed a local appropriation for each municipality of 1.3 mills on the state valuation in effect on July 1st or \$125 per pupil, whichever is less, for the ~~1978-79~~ **1979-80** year of distribution.

Sec. 4. Appropriation. The following funds shall be appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1979-80

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DEPARTMENT OF

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Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.