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History and Final Disposition

LD 1629 / HP1209

Original Title: RESOLUTION, Proposing a Competing Measure under the Constitution of Maine To Create Municipal Budget Caps, Reduce the Cost of Local Government through Increased State Education Funding and Provide Property Tax Relief. New Title: RESOLUTION, Proposing a Competing Measure under the Constitution of Maine To Reduce the Cost of Local Government through Increased State Education Funding and Provide Property Tax Relief. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). Presented by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach; Cosponsored by Senator STANLEY of Penobscot and Representatives: CLOUGH of Scarborough, FISCHER of Presque Isle, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, MILLS of Farmington, MILLS of Cornville, SIMPSON of Auburn, TARDY of Newport, Senator NASS of York. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Taxation. Public Hearing 06/04/03. OTP-AM Accepted 08/22/03. Amended by: CC (Changed Title) H-601, HC/CC H-608, SG/CC S-350, SH/CC (Changed Title) S-351. Finally Passed, Signed 08/22/03, CMR LAWS, Chapter 1. Final Disposition: Failed at Referendum 11/04/03 (In favor of Initiated Bill (LD 1372): 185,392; In favor of Competing Measure (LD 1629, CMR 2003, c. 1): 171,782; Opposed to Both: 133,349).

Original Bill

[LD 1629 \(121st Legis. 2003\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law

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Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Taxation

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(H-587\) \(LD 1629 2003\) \(Majority\)](#)

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[Amendment CC \(H-601\) \(LD 1629 2003\) \(Report A\) \(Passed\)](#)

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