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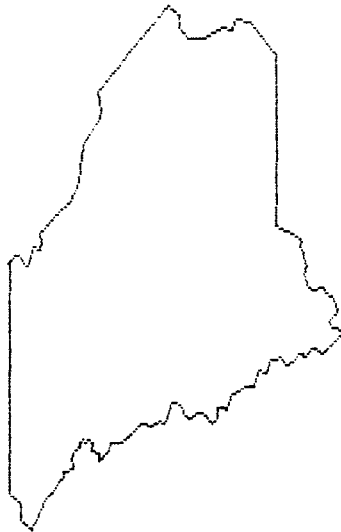


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STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
E d u c a t i o n

BILL SUMMARY



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B. NOT PASSED

361 AN ACT TO MOVE THE DATE FOR Moholland LV/WD
FINALIZATION OF THE MUNICIPAL
SCHOOL BUDGET FROM JUNE 30TH
TO SEPTEMBER 30TH OF EACH YEAR

SUMMARY: Since the school fiscal year starts on July 1, it was considered impractical to allow the budget approval vote to be delayed until September 30.

362 AN ACT TO ALLOW SCHOOL DISTRICTS Matthews, K LV/WD
TO RAISE THE MAXIMUM EQUIVALENT
OF LOCAL LEEWAY SPECIFICALLY
DESIGNATED FOR MAJOR SCHOOL
CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

SUMMARY: The bill would have given local units the option of initiating school construction projects without State Board of Education approval.

754 AN ACT TO GOVERN THE COST OF Tuttle ONTP
TRANSPORTATION FOR ATHLETES AND
OTHER STUDENTS PARTICIPATING
IN SCHOOL-SPONSORED EXTRA-
CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

SUMMARY: The bill would have prevented school units from charging fees to participate in school sponsored athletic or co-curricular events. While there is confusion over what is included in a free public education the Education Committee did not feel legislation prevented local units from charging fees was needed at this time.

1144 AN ACT TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION Twitchell LV/WD
TO NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

C. APPROPRIATIONS TABLE

773 AN ACT CONCERNING LOCAL LEEWAY McBreaity Indef.PP
UNDER SCHOOL FINANCE LAW

SUMMARY: The bill provides for local leeway to be paid out twice yearly. Presently, local leeway is paid in December. Since 1/2 of this payment is for the preceding fiscal year, it was felt to be fairer to the school units to pay 1/2 in July and 1/2 in December which keeps the allocation in the same fiscal year. There is a projected loss in interest to the State from this shift.