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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
100th LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "F" to S. P. 377, L. D. 1188, Bill, "An Act Providing for Local Option to Transport School Children to Other Than Public Schools Without State Subsidy."

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

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, education provides the means of achieving cultural, economic, industrial and scientific progress; and

Whereas, the continuing development of our State can be directly attributed to the education of all its citizens; and

Whereas, the impairment of the State's education processes will result in irreparable loss to the youth of this State; and

Whereas, to insure the continuation of the contributions of education to the general welfare of the State requires the attendance and education of all its youth; and

Whereas, the transportation of private school pupils by the Government has been held not in contravention of the Constitution of this State and is an essential and proper function thereof; and

Whereas, in the belief that it is the duty of responsible government that the public funds be extended to make educational opportunities in this State equally available to all its youth; and

Whereas, the transportation of private as well as public school pupils living in remote or distant areas from their school promotes the public interest of all citizens of the State and tends toward their protection against unreasonable and dangerous hazards; 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, '

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end the following:

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

Filed by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton.

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