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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT Relating to School Construction Aid in Administrative Units.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, § 351, amended.** The first paragraph of section 351 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'The inhabitants of and territory within 2 or more towns may form a community school district **after receiving the approval of the State Board of Education** which shall be a body politic and corporate by proceeding as follows: The municipal officers in each of the several towns may call a meeting of the inhabitants of their respective towns in the manner provided by law for the calling of town meetings, and such meetings shall vote to favor or oppose similar articles in substantially the following form:'

**Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 3518, amended.** The 2nd paragraph of section 3518 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Said apportionment shall apply similarly to payments made for capital outlay purposes on school construction, approved by the commissioner after August 28, 1957, in ~~single municipality~~ administrative units where the April 1st enrollment of resident and tuition pupils in grades 9 through 12 for that year is over 700 pupils, **and in all community school districts approved by the State Board of Education which incur debt after April 1, 1965** and in other smaller administrative units when in the judgment of the Legislature, on recommendation of the board, the formation of a School Administrative District by consolidation is not geographically or educationally practical. Any ~~municipality~~ administrative unit qualifying for school construction aid under this section by virtue of receiv-

ing tuition students from surrounding municipalities must render at least 2 year's notice to the sending municipalities before discontinuing such acceptance.

The percentage of aid to a community school district qualifying under this section shall be determined by dividing the total state valuation of the member towns of the district by the total average resident pupils of the last 2 enrollment reports as reported on April 1st annually by the member towns of the district. The average per pupil valuation thus determined shall be applied to Table II of section 3722 to determine the percentage of construction aid.

The term "community school district" as used herein shall include any type of school district consisting of more than one administrative unit operating a secondary school except a School Administrative District.