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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 397, L. D. 1030, Bill, "An Act
Relating to Ricker Classical Institute and Ricker College."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the "Preamble" and
inserting in place thereof the following emergency preamble:

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

Whereas, the Trustees of Houlton Academy was incorporated by
chapter 10 of the private and special laws of 1847; and

Whereas, chapter 10 of the private and special laws of 1847
has been amended by Acts of the Legislature from time to time as
follows: Chapter 90 of the private and special laws of 1887,
chapter 37 of the private and special laws of 1939, chapter 42 of the
private and special laws of 1949 and chapter 140 of the private and
special laws of 1965, which last mentioned Act constituted an
amendment to said chapter 10 of the private and special laws of 1847
and not a repeal thereof as erroneously stated therein; and

Whereas, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 140 of the
private and special laws of 1965, the correct corporate name of the
corporation created by chapter 10 of the private and special laws of
1847 is now Ricker Classical Institute, and said Ricker Classical
Institute now has all of the rights, powers and privileges set forth
in said chapter 140 of the private and special laws of 1965; and

Whereas, Ricker College was incorporated by chapter 139 of
the private and special laws of 1965 with a view to providing for
2 separate educational corporations, Ricker Classical Institute, the
corporation created by chapter 10 of the private and special laws of
1847 and Ricker College, the corporation created by chapter 139 of
the private and special laws of 1965; and

Whereas, following the effective date of chapter 139 and

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chapter 140 of the private and special laws of 1965, Ricker College was organized pursuant to chapter 139, and all of the real and personal property held by Ricker Classical Institute, the name of which had been formerly Ricker Classical Institute and Ricker College, was conveyed, transferred and assigned or purported to be conveyed, transferred and assigned, by said corporation under said former name to said Ricker College, the corporation created by chapter 139 of the private and special laws of 1965; and

Whereas, it now appears that there is no need to continue Ricker College and Ricker Classical Institute as separate educational corporations, and that the original corporation, Trustees of Houlton Academy now Ricker Classical Institute, should be the continuing corporation and all property, assets, rights, powers and privileges should be vested in said continuing corporation; and

Whereas, Ricker College, the corporation created by chapter 139 of the private and special laws of 1965, is engaged in raising funds for the construction of a suitable library, and has entered into agreements with the United States of America for a loan and grant to facilitate such construction; and

Whereas, it is imperative that such library be constructed as soon as possible as the same is an essential part of the required educational facilities, and that the loan and grant agreements with the United States of America be assumed promptly by the continuing corporation to assure the continued availability of the necessary federal funds; 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 thereof the following emergency clause:

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

Reported by the Committee on EDUCATION.

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