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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 510 House of Representatives, February 6, 1969 Referred to Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and 1,000 ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Richardson of Stonington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Requiring all Municipalities to Become Members in a School Administrative District.

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

R. S., T. 20, § 308, additional. Title 20 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 308, to read as follows:

§ 308. Reorganization plan

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Title, the State Board of Education shall develop a master plan for school district reorganization. The board shall, after development of the master plan, notify the residents of a given area of a hearing to discuss the proposed plan. The board shall note all exceptions taken and shall, after consideration, develop a final master plan which shall have the full effect of law. The final plans shall be completed by February 1, 1971 and all municipalities shall be notified by that date. Within 30 days following such notification, the selectmen and school committee members or school directors, or both, shall meet in joint session to determine the representation on the board of directors for the proposed district. Following this determination, the chairman of the joint session of municipal officers and school committee members or school directors, or both, shall notify the State Board of Education of the determination. Within 30 days following this meeting the municipalities shall elect the required number of directors who will assume office on July 1, 1971. Following the election of the number of directors, the town clerks shall file returns with the State Board of Education showing the results. The State Board of Education shall issue the necessary certificates of organization for the School Administrative Districts which will be required to accomplish the purposes of this section.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Since this Act requires all units to be part of School Administrative districts on July 1, 1971, there would be no additional cost to the State in this current biennium.