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### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Tuition Charges for Special Education Classes.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 20, § 3116, amended. Section 3116 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end the following paragraph:

Any administrative unit operating a class or a school under the authority granted in this chapter may compute an annual tuition rate in the following manner: The salary paid to special education teachers shall be increased by 35% to compensate for the operating costs not included in salaries, and the resulting amount shall be divided by the average daily membership of students in special education classes for the same fiscal year. The per pupil cost thus determined shall become the legal tuition charge for the following school year. Any unit establishing a new special education program may charge a tuition rate which shall not exceed the average per pupil cost of special education classes in the previous year.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 20, § 3561, amended. The 4th sentence of section 3561 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

The superintendent of schools in each town shall procure the conveyance of all elementary school pupils residing in his town, a part or the whole of the distance, to and from the nearest suitable school, for the number of weeks for which schools are maintained in each year, when such pupils reside at such a distance from the said school as in the judgment of the school committee shall render such conveyance necessary; the superintendent shall pro-

cure conveyance for special education students to and from classes, whether those classes are conducted by a public or private school outside the administrative unit when said unit does not provide the necessary services.