

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 105TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to H.P. 702, L.D. 945, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Increases in School Assessments in School Administrative Districts."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated "<u>§ 3726</u>" and inserting in place thereof the following: "§ 3726. Subsidy adjustment for excessive assessments

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Title, whenever a member municipality of a School Administrative District receives a school tax assessment greater than 40% over the previous year, the municipality may file an application for aid with the Commissioner of Education. If the commissioner finds that over 30% of that increase is the result of state valuation changes, he may make a direct grant to the municipality in order that the maximum assessment increase may not exceed the 30% level.

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the basis for controlling excessive assessment increases for school purposes in any municipality which is a member of a School Administrative District.

Reported by the Committee on Education.

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