

## ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk Presented by Mrs. Cummings of Newport.

# STATE OF MAINE

#### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

#### AN ACT Relating to Increases in School Assessments in School Administrative Districts.

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

**R. S., T. 20, § 3726, repealed and replaced.** Section 3726 of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 3 of chapter 308 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

#### § 3726. Subsidy adjustment for excessive assessments

Notwithstanding any other section of this Title, whenever a member municipality of a School Administrative District receives a school tax assessment greater than 40% increase over the previous year, the municipality shall file an application for assistance with the Commissioner of Education. If the commissioner finds that the increase is a 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 40% level.

### STATEMENT OF FACT

It is the intent of this Act to prohibit excessive assessment increases for school purposes in any municipality which is a member of a School Administrative District.