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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
106TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT " B " to H. P. 1561, L. D. 1994, Bill,  
"AN ACT Equalizing the Financial Support of School Units."

Amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated  
"§ 3711." by striking out all of the 2nd underlined sentence  
and inserting in place thereof the following:

'The Legislature intends to implement the program over a 3-year  
period --50% State, 50% local in 1974-75 and thereafter.'

Further amend said Bill in section 1 in that part designated  
"§ 3713." by striking out all of the next to the last underlined  
sentence of the first paragraph (same in L. D.) and inserting  
in place thereof the following:

'Fifty percent of the sum shall come from state sources and 50%  
of the sum from the uniform property tax in 1974-75 and thereafter.'

Further amend said Bill in section 6 in that part designated  
"§ 451." by striking out all of the first 2 underlined sentences  
(same in L. D.) and inserting in place thereof the following:

'The Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services, with the  
approval of the State Board of Education, shall annually,  
prior to February 15th, certify to the State Tax Assessor 50%  
of the estimated total public school education costs in 1973-74  
and thereafter, for the current school year to be completed. For  
the necessary expenses of local and state government, a tax  
is assessed at a rate that is equivalent to 50% in 1973-74 and  
thereafter, of the estimated total state public school education  
costs divided by the total of the most recent state valuation  
adjusted upward to the nearest quarter mill as filed under

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section 381 at 100% valuation plus 7 3/4 mills on the dollar applied to a 100% valuation for the property tax year commencing April 1, 1974; 9 1/4 mills effective April 1, 1975; 10 3/4 mills effective April 1, 1976; 12 1/4 mills effective April 1, 1977; and 13 3/4 mills effective April 1, 1978 and every year thereafter upon each municipality, township and each lot and parcel not included in any township in the State.'

Further amend said Bill in section 15 which relates to TABLE II by striking out all of the last underlined sentence (same in L. D.) and inserting in place thereof the following: 'It is the intention of the Legislature, as expressed in section 3711, that 50% of the cost of construction shall be paid from a uniform property tax assessed against all the municipalities in the State and that 50% of the cost of construction shall be paid from nonproperty tax revenues, with the program being implemented over a 3-year period--50% State, 50% local in 1974-75 and thereafter.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment increases state aid to municipalities for the cost of local education to 50% in 1974-75.

Filed by Mr. Murray of Bangor.

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