

## (EMERGENCY) FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

# ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

S. P. 656 Referred to Committee on Education. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary Presented by Senator Huber of Cumberland.

# STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX

AN ACT to Resolve the Deficit in Education Funding for the Fiscal Year 1975-76.

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, school administrative units will receive less than their computed allocation payments for the 1975-76 fiscal year unless corrective funding action is taken; and

Whereas, legislation is vitally necessary to authorize the Department of Educational and Cultural Services to make full payment of such computed allocations to the several administrative units; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. r. General Fund payments to local school units. Notwithstanding any other statute to the contrary, the Department of Educational and Cultural Services is authorized to expend from its 1976-77 appropriation for general purpose aid for local school units an amount not to exceed \$4,700,000 to reimburse administrative units at the level of their computed allocation entitlement for the fiscal year 1976.

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Sec. 2. Allocation of bonds authorized. Bonds authorized in the private and special laws of 1973, chapter 136, section 3, as amended by the public laws of 1973, chapter 783, section 50, are allocated as follows:

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\$1,340,000

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The intent of this bill is to provide a means for making full payments of computed subsidy allocations to local school administrative units for the fiscal year 1975-76 without resorting to proration.

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