

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "P" to S.P. 790, L.D. 2341, Bill, AN ACT to Revise and Reallocate Appropriations from the General Fund for the Expenditures of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1976 and June 30, 1977 and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government."

Amend said Bill in "PART B" by striking out the first 2 paragraphs of section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 6. Limit of state's obligation. The commissioner shall, prior to July 1, 1976, compile estimates for special education tuition and board costs from each school administrative unit and, after adjustments, shall certify a total requirement for this item. The State's computed obligation for reimbursement of this item shall be limited to 90% of the total certified or 90% of actual expenditures, whichever is less. In the event that the State's computed obligation for special education tuition and board, as defined in Title 20, section 3748, subsection 1, paragraph C, subparagraph (1), exceeds the level of funding provided, any unexpended balances occurring in any other program within Part A shall be applied to meet this computed obligation.

In the event that a balance exists in item 2 of Part B, such balance may be applied to meet any funding deficiency which may occur in item 1 of Part B. After all payments have been made, all unexpended balances occurring in Parts A, B, and C of section 5 shall be credited to the Major Capital Construction Fund which shall be a nonlapsing fund.' HOUSE AMENDMENT "P" TO S.P. 790, L.D. 2341,

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## Statement of Fact

The purpose of this Amendment is to remove language inconsistent with the Education Finance Laws and to clarify the method by which special education tuition and board costs will be reimbursed.

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