

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to S.P. 366, L.D. 1227, RESOLUTION,  
Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Require the  
State to Reimburse Municipalities for at least 50% of  
Property Tax Exemption Losses."

Amend the Resolution by striking out all of the  
title and inserting in its place the following: 'RESOLUTION,  
Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Require the  
State to Reimburse Municipalities from the General Fund for  
at least 50% of Losses Caused by Property Tax Exemptions  
and Credits Enacted after April 1, 1978.'

Further amend the Resolution by striking out all of the  
first underlined sentence of section 23 and inserting in its  
place the following: 'The Legislature shall annually  
reimburse each municipality from the General Fund for at  
least 50% of the property tax revenue loss suffered by  
that municipality during the previous calendar year because  
of statutory property tax exemptions or credits enacted  
after April 1, 1978.'

Further amend the Resolution by striking out all of  
the question and inserting in its place the following:

"Shall the Constitution be amended as proposed by  
a resolution of the Legislature to require the State to  
reimburse municipalites from the General Fund for at least  
50% of losses caused by property tax exemptions and credits  
enacted after April 1, 1978?"

Statement of Fact

This amendment changes the bill by:

1. Requiring reimbursement for statutory property tax credits;
2. Providing that reimbursement shall be from the General Fund; and
3. Limiting the reimbursement to exemptions and credits enacted after April 1, 1978.

Filed by Mrs. Bachrach of Brunswick.

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