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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
108TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

(Filing No. H-150)

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1160,
L.D. 1252, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to School Funding and Inventory
Tax Reimbursement."

Amend the Amendment by striking out all of section 4 and
inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 4. Appropriation. There is appropriated from the
General Fund to the Department of Educational and Cultural
Services the sum of (\$3,086,860) for the fiscal year ending June
30, 1977, and the sum of \$160,868,924 for the fiscal year ending
June 30, 1978, to carry out the purposes of this Act. The breakdown
shall be as follows:

	<u>1976-77</u>	<u>1977-78</u>
EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
General purpose aid for local schools		
All Other	(\$3,086,860)	\$160,868,924

Further amend the Amendment by striking out all of section
8 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 8. 36 MRSA §451-A is enacted to read:
§451-A. Mill rate for fiscal year 1977-78

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 451, subsection 2,
the uniform property tax rate shall be 11.5 mills for the period
beginning July 1, 1977 and ending June 30, 1978.'

Statement of Fact

This bill establishes the total cost of education and the uniform property tax rate; increases the maximum leeway from \$90 to \$100 and appropriates

funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1978. The total cost of education established in this bill is \$290,603,234. Total state share is \$156,168,924. Total local share based on 11.5 mills is \$134,434,310. The appropriation is arrived at as follows:

Total state share	\$156,168,924
Less federal funds available	500,000
Total General Fund	\$155,668,924
Uniform property tax pay-in	5,200,000
Total appropriation	\$160,868,924

Filed by Mr. Carey of Waterville.

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