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HOUSE AMENDMENT "C " to H.P. 1209 , L.D. 1329, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Vocational Education Laws.

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the amending clause of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 2. 20 MRSA § 2356-A, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 78, §134, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:'

Further amend the Bill by striking out all of the amending clause of section 3 and inserting in its place the following:

<u>'Sec. 3. 20 MRSA §2356-B</u>, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 513, §6 and as amended by PL 1977, c. 78, §135, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

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

<u>' Sec. 8. 20 MRSA §2356-G, sub-§1, Regions 5, 8 and</u> <u>10, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 573,</u> §10, are repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Region 5. HANCOCK COUNTY. Units located in this area are: Bar Harbor; Blue Hill; Bucksport; Castine; Cranberry Isles; Ellsworth; Franklin; Gouldsboro; Hancock; Isle au Haut; HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to H.P. 1209, L.D. 1329

Lamoine; Long Island Plt.; Mariaville; Mt. Desert; Orland; Otis; Penobscot; Sorrento; Southwest Harbor; Steuben; Sullivan; Surry; Tremont; Trenton; Winter Harbor; S. A. D. No. 18--Prospect and Verona; S.A.D. No. 26--Eastbrook and Waltham; Brooklin, Brooksville, Deer Isle, Sedgwick and Stonington; S.A. D. No. 76--Swan's Island.

Region 8. KNOX COUNTY. Units located in this area are: Appleton; Hope; Islesboro; Lincolnville; Monhegan; S.A.D. No. 5--Owl s Head, Rockland and South Thomaston; S.A.D. No. 7--North Haven; S.A.D. No. 8--Vinalhaven; S.A.D. No. 28--Camden and Rockport; S.A.D. No. 40--Friendship, Union, Waldoboro, Warren and Washington; S.A.D. No. 50-- Cushing, St. George and Thomaston; S.A.D. No. 65--Matinicus,

Region 10. EASTERN CUMBERLAND - SAGADAHOC COUNTY. Units located in this area are: Brunswick; Freeport; S.A.D. No. 62 -Pownal; S.A.D. No. 75--Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Harpswell and Topsham. This region and the vocational center at Bath will coordinate programs and activities.

Further amend the Bill by striking out all of section 15 and inserting in its place the following:

'<u>Sec. 15. 20 MRSA §2356-G, sub-§6, 3rd¶</u>, as last amended by PL 1977, c. 78, §136; the 4th ¶ and the first 2 sentences of the 5th ¶, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 513, §10, are repealed and the following enacted in their place: HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to H.P. 1209, L.D. 1329 -3-

Each unit's share of the vocational budget as finally approved by the cooperative board shall be placed in the local school budget and that unit's share shall be adjusted to reflect the unit's net share of the vocational budget as finally adopted by the region. Initial costs for starting new vocational education programs may be financed by a local tax outside the property uniform/tax and outside of any additional appropriations now authorized in section 3748, subsection 4.

The vote of the legislative body shall be to accept or reject each article in the budget warrant. No portion thereof may be amended. Following the annual budget meeting of each unit, the clerk of each unit shall notify, in writing, the member or members of the cooperative board which represent that unit of the results of the vote. Within 5 days after the last unit has acted on the budget, the chairman of the cooperative board shall call a meeting of the board to tally the results of the vote. The cooperative board members shall report in writing and each shall cast his ballot in the affirmative or in the negative in accordance with the majority vote of the unit or units represented. The chairman shall add the votes thus reported, and the cooperative board shall make a finding of fact and enter in its records the total vote in the affirmative and the total vote in the negative. If the total vote in the affirmative exceeds the total vote in the negative, the cooperative board shall declare that the budget has been approved by the voters of the region.

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A vote on the budget of the vocational region must be completed at the same time as the regular school budget in each year. If any article within the budget fails of passage, the cooperative board may prepare a new budget and submit the necessary articles to a budget meeting of the vocational region called in the manner set forth below:'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to correct potential conflicts between this bill and recently enacted laws.

Filed by Mr. Burns of Anson.

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