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HOUSE AMENDMENT "C" to H.P. 1295, L.D. 1445, Bill, "AN ACT to Establish Total Educational Costs and the Uniform Property Tax Rate and Appropriating Funds for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1978."

Amend the bill by inserting after section 3 the following:

'Sec. 4. 20 MRSA §3748, sub-§3, ¶B, as amended by PL 1975, c. 746, §24-N, is further amended to read:

B. If the average elementary or secondary per pupil operating cost for the base year in the unit is above the basic elementary or secondary per pupil operating rate, the per pupil allocation for elementary or secondary pupils respectively shall be ~~frozen at~~ limited to an amount which equals the state average elementary or secondary per pupil rate for the base year plus an amount equivalent to 1/2 the difference between the basic elementary or secondary per pupil operating rate respectively and the local average elementary or secondary per pupil operating cost respectively expended during the 1973-74 school year.

Further amend the bill by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.

Statement of Fact

This amendment restores the formula rate of funding on the same basis as average and below average per pupil expenditure

units which are based on base year per pupil costs. Base year for the current legislation is 1975-76. The General Fund requirement for this amendment <sup>is</sup> \$2,900,000.

Filed by Mrs. Najarian of Portland.

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