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HOUSE AMENDMENT "~~D~~^{to}" H.P. 1638, L.D. 1836, Bill, "AN ACT
Relating to Special Education Tuition and Board."

Amend the bill in section 6 by striking out in subparagraph
(3) of paragraph D at the end the following: "paragraph G" and
inserting in its place the following: 'paragraph H'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 7.

Further amend the bill in section 8, paragraph D, subparagraph
(3) by striking out the following: "paragraph G" and inserting
in its place the following: 'paragraph H'

Further amend the bill in section 10 by striking out every-
thing after the amending clause and inserting in its place the
following:

'Special education tuition and board shall be reimbursed in the
year of allocation at 90% for local administrative units, and for
state wards and other pupils placed directly by the State shall
be paid by the State in the year of allocation at 100% of the
actual cost.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 11.

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 12 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 12. 20 MRSA §3748, sub-§3, ¶H is enacted to read:

R. If the parents of a special education pupil change residence within the State at any time during the year, then the commissioner shall adjust the special education tuition and board estimates of the affected administrative units. There is established within the department a contingent account for the purpose of reimbursing any unit in which the actual expenditures for special education tuition and board have exceeded the unit's estimated costs, as adjusted by the commissioner, due to students requiring special education tuition and board who have been identified after the unit's estimate has been submitted to the commissioner. The commissioner is authorized to adjust the allocation to any unit qualifying under this paragraph. All units shall be prorated, if necessary, to remain within the sum appropriated to the contingent account. Local administrative units are authorized to expend any funds received through these adjustments without calling for a special meeting of the local legislative body.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 14 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 14. Expenditures. The commissioner is authorized to expend any balances in funds appropriated for special education tuition and board in order to reimburse any unit in which the actual expenditures for special education tuition and board have exceeded the unit's estimated costs as adjusted by the commissioner.'

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

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.'

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

Statement of Fact

The purposes of this amendment are to retain the reimbursement for the costs of special education tuition and board on a year of allocation basis and to establish a contingency account for any units whose special education tuition and board actual expenditures have exceeded its estimated cost because of the identification of new students requiring special education tuition and board.

Filed by Mrs. Prescott of Hampden.

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