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HOUSE AMENDMENT "D" to S.P. 590, L.D. 1896, Bill,
"AN ACT to Make Additional Corrections of Errors and
Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine."

Amend the Bill by inserting after section 150 the following:

'Sec. 151. Town of Castine; School Maintenance

Account; funds transferred. Notwithstanding the provisions
of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20, section 3748,
subsection 8, the Town of Castine is authorized to transfer
balances from the School Maintenance Account to the unappropriated
surplus at the conclusion of the 1976-77 fiscal year. This
authorization is contingent upon the town providing
satisfactory evidence to the Treasurer of State, the State
Auditor and the Department of Educational and Cultural Services
that it has properly raised and expended tax moneys collected
under the uniform property tax for the fiscal years 1975-76
and 1976-77.'

## Statement of Fact

The Town of Castine inadvertently raised and appropriated its uniform property tax moneys by town meeting articles in 1975 and 1976 and credited these tax moneys to the School Maintenance Account. This action, coupled with the state assessment of uniform property tax moneys, has resulted in a duplicate tax levy for education and would cause an over-

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draft in general municipal accounts unless this legislation is passed.

Filed by Mr. Greenlaw of Stonington.

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