

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. 1270) 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to H.P. 2346, L.D. 2213, RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Limit the Maximum Property Tax which can be Levied.

Amend the Amendment on pages 5 and 6 in that part designated "<u>§1523.</u>" by striking out in subsection 3 all of the 2nd sentence and inserting in its place the following: '<u>If the State transfers funding responsibility for existing</u> programs to local units of government, or reduces total state aid to local units as annually adjusted by the cost-of-living change or personal income change, whichever is less, that reduction or transfer shall reduce the State's annual limitation established in section 1522 by the total appropriations reduced or transferred.'

## Statement of Fact

This amendment allows the State to reduce local aid or transfer funding responsibility for existing local programs if the reduction or transfer results in a reduced state appropriation.

## Filed by Mr. Spencer of Standish

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