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H. P. 410 House of Representatives, February 13, 1979 Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Davis of Monmouth.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Current Funding of Special Education Tuition.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- **Sec. 1. 20 MRSA § 4745, sub-§ 2, ¶ A**, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 625, § 8, is amended to read:
 - A. The requested funding levels for section 4744, subsection 1, paragraph C, paragraph B, subparagraph (1); and paragraphs C, E and K; transportation operating costs under paragraph F; and the insured value factor under paragraph G shall be actual costs for the base year.
 - Sec. 2. 20 MRSA § 4745, sub-§ 2, \P F is enacted to read:
 - F. The requested level for section 4744, paragraph D, subparagraph (1), shall be computed on the basis of estimates of these costs for the year of allocation of funds submitted to the commissioner by each administrative unit prior to November 15th in the year prior to the year of allocation of funds. The requested funding level shall be limited to these estimates as adjusted by the commissioner. The commissioner shall have the authority to amend any estimates when he believes the estimate is unreasonable.
 - D. Reimbursement for special education tuition and board for pupils placed by the administrative unit shall be limited to the estimated costs as adjusted by the

commissioner, or the actual expenditures, whichever is less, for the year of allocation of funds.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill to provide for the reimbursement of special education tuition and board for pupils placed by the unit at 100% of the estimated costs or 100% of the actual expenditures, whichever is less, in the year of allocation. Under the present law, these costs will be reimbursed at 100% of actual base year costs.