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Legislative Document

No. 1246

H. P. 997 House of Representatives, March 16, 1979 On Motion of Mr. Connolly of Portland, referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Bachrach of Brunswick. Cosponsor: Mr. McKean of Limestone.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Impact Aid Funds Received under United States Public Law 81-874.

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

20 MRSA § 4749, sub-§ 3, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 625, § 8, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

B. The state-local allocation to such a unit shall be adjusted as follows:

(1) Compute the percentage that total local revenues under the state equalization program are of total local revenues for education in the unit;

(2) Multiply the total funds received by the unit under "An Act to Provide Financial Assistance for Local Education Agencies in Areas Affected by Federal Activities and Other Purposes," United States Public Law 81-874 funds for the unit by a figure of 10 percentage points less than the percentage computed in subparagraph (1); and

(3) Subtract the amount computed in subparagraph (2) from the state-local allocation.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to establish the formula for computing the amount of money which may be deducted by the State from the state-local allocation of units eligible for federal impact aid funds. Under the present law the State may deduct the percentage of local funds raised as part of the state equalization program. This bill would reduce this amount by 10% in order to provide an incentive for local units to seek the federal impact aid funds.