

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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(Governor's Bill)
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1870

S. P. 720

In Senate, January 24, 1980

Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Silverman of Washington County.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY

AN ACT to Allow School Districts to Account for Federally-subsidized Pupils as Residents of the District and not of the Municipality in which they Reside.

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

20 MRSA § 305, 6th ¶, Alternate Method B, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 571, § 23, is further amended by adding after the 2nd sentence, a new sentence to read:

For the purposes of this chapter only, districts may elect to consider pupils residing on land under the control of the Federal Government, or any agency thereof, or on a federal military reservation, who are eligible under United States Public Law 874, as residents of the district but not as residents of any member municipality in the district's cost-sharing agreement under this method.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to allow school districts which consist of more than one municipality and which apportion costs on a per pupil basis to eliminate the pupils which are subsidized by the Federal Government from the tally of the municipality in which they reside. The subsidy goes directly to the district and reduces the local share for all students. The district may want to count the students as residents of the district as a whole and not as residents of the municipality in which they reside.