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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 934

S. P. 326

In Senate, February 19, 1981

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

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator Bustin of Kennebec.

Cosponsors: Representative Davies of Monmouth, Representative Kilcoyne of Gardiner and Representative Weymouth of West Gardiner.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Authorize an Experimental Cost Sharing of New Vocational Programs at the Capitol Area Vocational Center.

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

Sec. 1. Authority to enter into cost-sharing agreements. The Capitol Area Vocational Center, as operated by the City of Augusta Board of Education, is authorized to enter into mutually agreeable cost-sharing agreements with the member towns and districts served by the center for the purpose of financing any new programs to serve the needs of the students in the area.

Sec. 2. New costs to be counted in vocational education costs. Notwithstanding any other provision of the public laws, the new costs incurred by the units under such an agreement shall be counted as vocational education costs and shall be included in the next computation of the state-local allocation for subsidy purposes.

Sec. 3. Filing of agreements; monitoring; recommendation. The cost-sharing agreements shall be filed with the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services. The commissioner shall monitor the experimental program to determine whether its provisions should be enacted into the public laws and shall make a recommendation to the State Board of Education on or before December 1, 1984.

Sec. 4. Repeal. This Act is repealed on January 1, 1986.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this Act is to allow an experimental cost-sharing arrangement among the towns served by the Capitol Area Vocational Center as new programs are offered to area students.

If the experiment produces desirable results, the commissioner shall recommend public legislation for consideration of the State Board of Education.

Units are assured that those expenditures will be included in the state-local allocation for subsidy purposes.