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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 56
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7 H.P. 51

House of Representatives, January 5, 1983

8 Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

9 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
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11 Presented by Representative Webster of Farmington.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Modify the Criteria for
18 Establishing a School Administrative
19 District.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 20-A MRSA §1201, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693,
24 §§5 and 8, is repealed and the following enacted in
25 its place:

26 §1201. Criteria for establishing a school adminis-
27 trative district

28 The board may approve the formation of school
29 administrative districts whenever 2 or more munici-
30 palities apply which had at least 300 resident
31 secondary pupils educated at public expense in grades
32 9 through 12 as indicated in the last returns made to
33 the commissioner under section 6004 and may approve

1 the formation of school administrative districts
2 which had at least one resident secondary pupil edu-
3 cated at public expense in grades 9 through 12 as
4 indicated in the last returns made to the commis-
5 sioner under section 6004, whenever, in the judgment
6 of the board, the formation of a larger district is
7 not feasible for educational, economic or geographic
8 reasons. The towns applying shall support their
9 application with an adequate study outlining the
10 desirability and the educational feasibility of the
11 proposed district, and where the applying towns have
12 less than 300 resident pupils, but at least one resi-
13 dent pupil, the application shall state in detail the
14 educational, economic and geographic reasons for the
15 formation of the proposed school administrative dis-
16 trict.

17 The board may, in addition, approve the formation
18 of a school administrative district from any commu-
19 nity school district existing on April 1, 1957, which
20 has been formed under the general law or by special
21 legislative charter and was operating a school on
22 April 1, 1957, which offered a program of education
23 for grades 9 through 12, irrespective of the number
24 of resident pupils educated at public expense in
25 grades 9 through 12 as indicated in the last return
26 made to the commissioner under section 6004.

27 The board may in addition to the power conferred
28 in this section approve the formation of a school
29 administrative district from any community school
30 district existing on April 1, 1957, which has been
31 formed under the general law or by special legis-
32 lative charter and was operating a school on April 1,
33 1957, which offered a program of education in grades
34 9 through 12 along with any other municipality or
35 municipalities which desire to join with the area
36 within any existing community school district, irre-
37 spective of the number of resident pupils educated at
38 public expense in grades 9 through 12 as indicated in
39 the last return made to the commissioner under
40 section 6004.

41 STATEMENT OF FACT

42 This bill repeals the requirement that a munici-

1 pality have at least 100 students to be eligible to
2 form a school administrative district.

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