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

No. 399

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7 H.P. 310

House of Representatives, February 5, 1985

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

9 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

10 Presented by Representative Rydell of Brunswick.

Cosponsored by Representative Chonko of Topsham and Senator Brown of Washington.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
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17 AN ACT to Allow School Administrative Units
18 to Provide Services to Preschool
19 Handicapped Students.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §7706, as enacted by PL 1981,
24 c. 693, §§5 & 8, is repealed and the following en-
25 acted in its place.

26 §7706. Additional programs

27 In addition to the programs authorized in this
28 chapter, the commissioner may authorize expenditures:

29 1. Institutions. To institutions and organiza-
30 tions for speech and language education of hearing
31 and language impaired children who have not reached
32 compulsory school age; and

1 2. School administrative units. Through the
2 school subsidy formula, to school administrative
3 units for services to preschool handicapped students.

4 A. Federal and state grants used to initiate
5 these services shall be considered local funds in
6 computing the units educational costs in chapter
7 606.

8 B. The school board responsible for operating
9 the preschool service shall assume the financial
10 responsibility for the program. It shall receive
11 the state subsidy for the program and may charge
12 tuition for costs which exceed expenditures made
13 for those programs in the base year.

14 Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §15603, sub-§22, ¶¶B & C, as
15 enacted by PL 1983, c. 859, Pt. G, §§2 & 4, are
16 amended to read:

17 B. The costs of tuition and board to other
18 schools for programs which have been approved by
19 the commissioner. Medical costs shall not be al-
20 lowable as part of a tuition charge; ~~and~~

21 C. The cost of programs for gifted and talented
22 students which have been approved by the commis-
23 sioner; and

24 Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §15603, sub-§22, ¶D is enacted
25 to read:

26 D. The following preschool handicapped services:

27 (1) The salary and benefit costs of certi-
28 fied professional, assistants and aides or
29 persons contracted to perform preschool
30 handicapped services which have been ap-
31 proved by the commissioner; and

32 (2) The cost of tuition to other schools
33 for programs which have been approved by the
34 commissioner.

35 Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §15612, sub-§9 is enacted to
36 read:

