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STATE OF MAINE  
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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 423, L.D. 603,  
Bill, "AN ACT to Provide a 10% Contingency in the  
School Construction Debt Service Limit."

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Amend the bill by inserting after the title and  
before the enacting clause the following:

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'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legis-  
lature do not become effective until 90 days after  
adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

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Whereas, a large number of schools have already  
applied or will soon apply for funds for construc-  
tion; and

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Whereas, the population pressures, especially in  
the southern part of the State, necessitate the full  
utilization of the statutory funding limitations for  
school construction; and

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Whereas, this legislation is necessary to further  
the increased commitment on the part of the Legisla-  
ture to improve education; and

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Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,  
these facts create an emergency within the meaning of  
the Constitution of Maine and require the following  
legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-  
vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
therefore, '

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Further amend the bill in paragraph A by striking  
out all of the last 2 underlined sentences (page 1,  
lines 29 to 35 in L.D.) and inserting in their place  
the following:

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'The state board may authorize projects up to an

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1 amount not to exceed 10% of the limit, provided that  
2 the final approval for projects in the aggregate does  
3 not exceed that limit. Any project authorized, but  
4 not finally approved, shall be carried forward to the  
5 next fiscal year and final approval shall be given  
6 for that project in that year. This paragraph shall  
7 take effect on July 1, 1985.'

8 Further amend the bill by inserting before the  
9 Statement of Fact the following:

10 'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited  
11 in the preamble, this Act shall take effect July 1,  
12 1985.'

13 STATEMENT OF FACT

14 The purpose of this amendment is to allow the  
15 state board to authorize projects in an amount not to  
16 exceed 10% of the \$35,000,000 limit but provides that  
17 the actual approval of all projects may not exceed  
18 that limit. Any project authorized but not finally  
19 approved shall be approved for the next year.

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21 (Sen. Pearson) *Michael Pearson*  
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