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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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NO. 355

H.P. 272

House of Representatives, February 12, 1987
Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and
Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Representative CASHMAN of Old Town.
Cosponsored by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake,
Representative BOST of Orono and Senator EMERSON of Penobscot.

	STATE OF MAINE
	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN
1 2 3	AN ACT to Increase the State's Share of Education Costs.
4 5	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
6 7	Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §15602, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1985, c. 505, §12, is further amended to read:
8 9 10 11 12 13	1. Contributions from General Fund. It is the intent of the Legislature to provide at least 55% of the cost of the total allocation from General Fund revenue sources or a percentage no less than that provided in the year prior to the year of allocation, whichever is greater.
14 15	The amount of the teacher recognition grants authorized in section 13503-A which are paid or deemed el-

1	igible to be paid on August 15, 1986, shall be added
2	to the actual local operating costs expended by local
3	units in 1986-87. The minimum amount of the cost of
4	the total allocation from General Fund revenue
5	sources for 1988-89 shall be increased by the total
6	amount expended by the State in 1986-87 for teacher
7	recognition grants in accordance with section 13503-A
8	and block grants in accordance with section 13509.
9	The resulting percentage shall be used to define the
10	minimum percentage contribution from General Fund
11	revenue sources in 1988-89 and subsequent years.
12	This minimum percentage contribution from General
L3	Fund revenue sources shall not be less than 60% for
L4	1988-89 and 1990-91 and not less than 65% in 1991-92
15	and subsequent years

16 Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall take ef-17 fect July 1, 1988.

18 . STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill increases the State's share of public elementary and secondary school costs to 60% for fiscal years 1988-89 and 1990-91 and to 65% in fiscal year 1991-92.

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