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Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative REED of Falmouth.

Cosponsored by Senator GILL of Cumberland, Representative HOGLUND of Portland and Representative MICHAUD of East Millinocket.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Recognize Outstanding Local Commitment to Education.



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

3 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §15607, sub-§11, as amended by PL 1987, c.**
4 **850, §§2 and 5, is further amended to read:**

5 **11. Appropriation for nonpublic school services.**
6 **Appropriate the necessary funds for reimbursement for nonpublic**
7 **school services under section 15613, subsection 4; and**

8 **Sec. 2, 20-A MRSA §15607, sub-§12, as enacted by PL 1987, c.**
9 **850, §§3 and 5, is amended to read:**

10 **12. Appropriation for special education tuition and costs**
11 **for out-of-district placements. Appropriate the necessary funds**
12 **for special education tuition under section 15612, subsection 10-**
13 **; and**

14 **Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA §15607, sub-§13 is enacted to read:**

15 **13. Appropriation for recognition grants. Appropriate the**
16 **required funds for the grant provided by section 15612,**
17 **subsection 11.**

18 **Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §15612, sub-§11 is enacted to read:**

19 **11. Recognition grants. The following provisions apply to**
20 **recognition grants.**

21 **A. A grant of \$100 per pupil shall be paid to each school**
22 **administrative unit for each grant year in which:**

23 **(1) The unit's resident per pupil operating cost**
24 **figure exceeds the statewide average of resident per**
25 **pupil operating cost figures by at least 10%; and**

26 **(2) The unit's per pupil state subsidy to be paid in**
27 **the grant year to the school administrative unit is at**
28 **least 20% below the state average per pupil subsidy.**

29 **B. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise**
30 **indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.**

31 **(1) "Grant year" means the year over which the grant**
32 **will be paid to a school administrative unit, which**
33 **shall begin on July 1st and end June 30th.**

34 **(2) "Per pupil state reimbursement" means the state**
35 **subsidy to be paid to the school administrative unit in**
36 **the grant year, divided by the average number of**
37 **resident pupils for which the unit was financially**
38 **responsible on October 1st and April 1st of the school**
39 **year 2 years prior to the grant year.**

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(3) "Resident per pupil operating cost figure" means the sum of the actual local operating costs for the base year as described in section 15603, subsection 2, and the actual local program costs for the base year as described in section 15603, subsection 4, paragraphs A and B, divided by the average number of resident pupils for which the unit was financially responsible on October 1st and April 1st of the school year 2 years prior to the grant year.

C. The grant shall be paid to the school administrative unit in equal monthly installments at the same time the state subsidy is paid to the unit.

Sec. 3. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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**EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

All Other \$3,160,000 \$3,160,000

To provide recognition grants to school administrative units which make outstanding local commitments to education.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of the bill is to provide recognition grants to school units which spend more than the average amount per pupil, but receive less than the average amount in state funding per pupil. The costs are those from the base year used to calculate state subsidy for the grant year, i.e., 2 years prior to the grant year.