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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 585, L.D. 789, Bill, "An Act to Create the Youth-at-Risk Alternative Education Program"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§18101.~~" in subsection 2, by striking out all of paragraphs F and G and inserting in their place the following:

F. Has been identified by the department as at risk because of environmental factors;

G. Has been identified by the school administrative unit as a chronic acting out child or as a chronic truant; or

H. Has been placed on informal adjustment by a juvenile intake worker or has been adjudicated as having committed a juvenile offense by a judge.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§18101.~~" in subsection 3 in the 3rd line (page 1, line 42 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "middle and secondary level schools" and inserting in its place the following: 'school offering grades 5 to 12 or any combination of those grades'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§18101.~~" in subsection 3 in paragraph A in the 3rd line (page 1, line 48 in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined word "parent" the following: 'one or more youth-at-risk students'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§18101.~~" in subsection 4 in the first and 2nd lines (page 2, lines 6 and 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Middle and secondary level schools" and inserting in its place the following: 'Schools offering grades 5 to 12 or any combination of those grades'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "~~§18101.~~" by striking out all of subsection 5 and inserting in its place the following:

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3 '5. Funding priority. In awarding planning and  
4 implementation grants under this chapter, the department shall  
5 give priority to schools which demonstrate a high percentage or  
6 high total numbers of youth at risk and which propose to address  
7 the problem at the grade 5 to 8 level.'

8 Further amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 and  
9 3 and inserting in their place the following:

11 'Sec. 2. Distribution of grant funds. In fiscal year 1989-90, the  
12 Department of Educational and Cultural Services shall award 10  
13 one-year planning grants of \$5,000 each and 5 3-year  
14 implementation grants not to exceed \$45,000 each year to selected  
15 schools offering grades 5 through 12 or any combination of those  
16 grades upon proper application, as provided in the Maine Revised  
17 Statutes, Title 20-A, section 18101. In fiscal year 1990-91, the  
18 department shall award 10 one-year planning grants of \$5,000 each  
19 and 15 3-year implementation grants not to exceed \$45,000 each  
20 year to selected schools offering grades 5 through 12 or any  
21 combination of those grades upon proper application, as provided  
22 in Title 20-A, section 18101.

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

	1989-90	1990-91
<b>EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES,</b>		
<b>DEPARTMENT OF</b>		
<b>Youth-at-Risk Alternative Education</b>		
<b>Program</b>		
Positions	(2)	(2)
Personal Services	\$36,154	\$52,276
All Other	282,500	961,070
Capital Expenditures	3,000	
<b>DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AND</b>		
<b>CULTURAL SERVICES</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$321,654</u>	<u>\$1,013,346'</u>

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45 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

47 This amendment makes several technical changes in the  
48 original bill to:

- 49 1. Clarify the definition of "at risk youth" and use that  
51 term consistently throughout the bill;

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2. Clarify which school grades will be eligible for  
3 planning and implementation grants under the bill; and

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3. Clarify the grants process.

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