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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
114TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 561, L.D. 1564, "Resolve, Creating the Special Commission to Study and Evaluate the Status of Education Reform in Maine"

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the 19th and 20th paragraphs after the title (page 3, lines 5 to 11 in amendment) and inserting in their place the following:

'Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 3 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 3. Convening of commission. Resolved: That when the appointment of all commission members is completed and no later than May 30, 1990, the Chair of the Legislative Council shall convene the first meeting of the special commission. At the first meeting, the special commission shall select a chair and cochair from among its members. Either the chair or cochair must be a legislative member; both the chair and cochair may be legislative members.

Under the direction of the chair and cochair, the special commission may form subcommittees for the purposes of considering various education reform issues more effectively; and be it further'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the 24th paragraph after the title (page 3, lines 37 to 41 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 5 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 5. Assistance. Resolved: That the special commission may hire consultants or researchers to assist in performing its duties. Agencies of State Government shall provide information requested by the special commission. In conducting surveys

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2 and policy research, the special commission may request
3 assistance from the University of Maine System. If additional
4 staff assistance is desired, assistance may be requested from the
5 Legislative Council, except that the Legislative Council may not
6 provide staff assistance during the First Regular Session of the
115th Legislature; and be it further' '

8 Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 7
and inserting in its place the following:

10 'Sec. 7. Funding. Resolved: That, in addition to the funds
12 appropriated in section 8 of this resolve, the Legislative
14 Council, on behalf of the Joint Standing Committee on Education,
16 may seek outside sources of funding to assist in financing the
study provided in this resolve. The Legislative Council shall
18 administer any outside funds acquired for the conduct of the
study.

20 Sec. 8. Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are
22 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
this resolve.

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24 **LEGISLATURE**

26 **Special Commission to Study and**
28 **Evaluate the Status of Education**
Reform in Maine

30	Personal Services	\$440	\$3,960
32	All Other	2,500	36,000

34 Provides funds for per diem,
36 meeting and related expenses
of the special commission and
38 also provides funds in each
year to allow the special
40 commission to contract with
consultants or researchers.
42 Any funds unexpended in the
fiscal year for which they
44 are appropriated may not
lapse but must be carried
46 forward to the next fiscal
year.

48 **LEGISLATURE**
50 **TOTAL**

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	\$2,940	\$39,960'

52 Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the
fiscal note and inserting in its place the following:

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FISCAL NOTE

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This resolve appropriates \$2,940 in fiscal year 1989-90 and \$39,960 in fiscal year 1990-91, to the Legislature for the per diem and expenses of the Special Commission to Study and Evaluate the Status of Education Reform in Maine. The cost to agencies of State Government of providing information, as outlined in section 5 of this resolve, can be absorbed within existing, budgeted resources of the respective agencies. Provision is also made in section 7 of this resolve for the Legislative Council to seek and administer outside funding to supplement the General Fund appropriations for this study.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment adds an appropriation section to the resolve, authorizes the Legislative Council to seek additional outside sources of funding for the study and clarifies the staff assistance provisions.

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(Senator BOST)
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COUNTY: Penobscot

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