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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 195

House of Representatives, February 5, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative REED of Falmouth.

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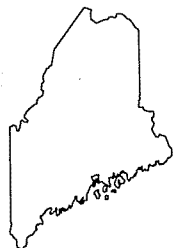
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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

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**An Act to Enhance the Effectiveness of the Quality Incentive Adjustment  
Allocation.**

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

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4 20-A MRSA §15612, sub-§1, ¶B, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 859,  
Pt. G, §§2 and 4, is amended to read:

6 B. The adjustment shall must be 1/2 of the difference  
8 between the unit's operating costs in the base year and the  
operating allocation in the year of allocation ~~multiplied by~~  
~~the state share percentage as determined in section 15609.~~

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### STATEMENT OF FACT

The quality incentive adjustment allocation provision of the School Finance Act of 1985 was implemented for the purpose of encouraging local units to provide quality programs for their students. The determination of eligibility is based on the unit's per pupil operating costs exceeding the foundation per pupil operating rate by a fixed percentage. This bill alters the method of calculating the quality incentive adjustment under the school funding formula by removing the requirement that 1/2 of the difference between a unit's base year operating cost and the operating allocation in the year of allocation be multiplied by the unit's state share percentage.