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House of Representatives, February 20, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative GOULD of Greenville.

Cosponsored by President PRAY of Penobscot, Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Representative CAHILL of Mattawamkeag.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Require That School Administrative Units Be Paid the Actual
Per Pupil Cost for Students from the Unorganized Territory.**



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

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3 Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §3253-A, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1985, c.
4 603, §1, is further amended to read:

5 3. Tuition. The commissioner shall pay tuition for each
6 tuition student in an amount equal to the official tuition rate
7 approved pursuant to sections ~~sections~~ section 5805, 5806, 5809 or 7302
8 for the receiving school for nonresident students enrolled in
9 secondary schools or special education or vocational education
10 programs, provided that the student maintains a satisfactory
11 standard of deportment and scholarship. Notwithstanding the
12 provisions of section 5805, subsection 2, a school administrative
13 unit accepting secondary school students from the unorganized
14 territory must receive the unit's actual per student tuition
15 costs for the preceding year for each student from the
16 unorganized territory.

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18 Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §5805, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1981, c.
19 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:

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21 2. Maximum allowable tuition. The maximum allowable
22 tuition charge by a public secondary school shall be is the rate
23 computed under subsection 1 or the state average per public
24 secondary student cost as adjusted, whichever is lower, except
25 that school administrative units accepting secondary school
26 students from the unorganized territory must receive the actual
27 per pupil tuition cost for the preceding year.

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32 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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34 This bill permits school administrative units accepting
35 tuitioned secondary school students from the unorganized
36 territory to receive the actual per pupil tuition costs for the
37 preceding year. Under current law, public secondary schools may
38 not receive tuition payment for secondary school students from
39 the unorganized territory in excess of the state average per
40 public secondary student cost as adjusted.