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Presented by Representative SIMPSON of Casco. Cosponsored by Senator ESTES of York, Representative HANDY of Lewiston and Representative CAHILL of Mattawamkeag.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Amend the School Finance Laws.

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §15607, sub-§§3 and 4, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 859, Pt. G, §§2 and 4, are amended to read:

 3. Appropriation for the state share of the foundation. Appropriate the necessary funds to meet the maximum state
abligation for the state's <u>State's</u> share of the foundation allocation under section 15610. Once appropriated, the
allocation amount may be increased at a later date but may not be decreased;

4. Appropriation for state share of debt service.
14 Appropriate the necessary funds for the state's <u>State's</u> share of debt service under section 15611. Once appropriated, the
16 <u>allocation amount may be increased at a later date but may not be decreased</u>;

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §15613, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1983, 20 c. 859, Pt. G, §§2 and 4, is amended to read:

A. The commissioner shall annually, prior to April--21st <u>February 20th</u>, notify each school board of the amount allocated to the school administrative unit.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill advances the dates by which the Commissioner of 30 Education must notify school boards of their allocations. It also allows the Legislature to increase appropriations, but 32 prohibits any decrease in appropriations, after the initial allocations have been determined.

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