

L.D. 1759 (Filing No. H-445) STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES **115TH LEGISLATURE** FIRST REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " \mathcal{H} " to H.P. 1203, L.D. 1759, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Specific Line Budgets for School Districts" Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following: 'An Act to Amend the Law Concerning the Cost-sharing Formula for School Administrative Districts' Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following: '20-A MRSA §1301, sub-§3, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, \$\$5 and 8, is amended to read: If requested by a written petition of at least 10% of Α. the number of voters voting in the last gubernatorial election in-the-municipalities within the district, or if approved by a majority of the full board of directors, the board of directors shall hold a meeting of municipal representatives to determine-the-necessity-of-reconsidering reconsider the method of sharing costs. The district shall give at least 15 days' notice to each municipality comprising the district of that meeting.' STATEMENT OF FACT This amendment changes the law relating to methods of sharing education costs between municipalities in a school administrative district. Under current law the board of directors of a school administrative district may hold a meeting of municipal representatives to reconsider the method of cost

2

4

6

8

10

12

14

16

18

20

22

24

26

28

30

32

34

36

38

40

42

44

46

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1203, L.D. 1759

sharing between municipalities only if requested by written petition of at least 10% of the number of voters voting in the 2 last gubernatorial election in the municipalities within the district. This amendment permits the board of directors of a 4 school administrative district to hold a meeting of municipal representatives to reconsider cost sharing if a majority of the 6 full board of directors approves such a meeting.

8

It also clarifies that a successful written petition for 10 reconsideration requires signatures from 10% of the voters in the district voting in the last gubernatorial election.

12

Reported by the Committee on Education Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House (5/28/91)(Filing No. H-445)