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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
115TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1457, L.D. 2069, "Resolve,
to Assist High-risk Students"

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title
and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the
following:

Sec. 1. Committee for Assistance to High-risk Students. Resolved:
That the Committee for Assistance to High-risk Students is
established to assist high-risk students by establishing criteria
for identifying them and methods of providing additional funding;
and be it further

Sec. 2. Membership. Resolved: That the Committee for
Assistance to High-risk Students consists of the following
members:

1. The Commissioner of Education or the commissioner's
designee;

2. A local school board member appointed by the Governor
from a list of nominees supplied by the Maine School Boards
Association;

3. Two Maine school administrative unit superintendents
appointed by the Governor from a list of nominees supplied by the
Maine Superintendents Association;

4. One advocate for the homeless appointed by the Governor
from a list of nominees supplied by the Maine Coalition for the
Homeless;

5. One member of the Advisory Council to Maine Aid to
Families with Dependent Children Coordinating Committee appointed
by the Governor;

2 6. One elementary school teacher, one secondary school
3 teacher and one support staff member appointed jointly by the
4 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
5 Representatives from a list of nominees supplied by the Maine
6 Teachers Association;

8 7. One school nurse appointed jointly by the President of
9 the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives from a
10 list of nominees supplied by the Maine School Nurses Association;
11 and

12 8. One school counselor appointed jointly by the President
13 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives
14 from a list of nominees supplied by the Maine School Counselors
15 Association; and be it further

16 **Sec. 3. Report; funding proposals. Resolved:** That on or before
17 February 1, 1993, the Committee for Assistance to High-risk
18 Students shall file a report with the joint standing committee of
19 the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters that
20 describes the number of students in public schools, kindergarten
21 to grade 12, who face a high risk of failure but do not qualify
22 as special education students and require significantly more
23 educational effort than the average student to enable them to
24 meet the State's educational standards.
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26 The report must include, at a minimum:

27 1. The criteria for identifying those students;

28 2. A means of measuring the cost of the additional
29 educational effort required for those students; and

30 3. Proposed legislation to fund all or some of the
31 additional costs required for those students with state funds
32 beginning on July 1, 1993.
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34 In preparing the report, the committee shall solicit
35 information and commentary from each school administrative unit.
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37 The funding mechanisms proposed by the committee must
38 include at least one proposal that would reallocate existing or
39 proposed state funding for education in a way that does not
40 require an additional appropriation; and be it further

41 **Sec. 4. Staff. Resolved:** That organizations whose members
42 serve on the Committee for Assistance to High-risk Students may
43 provide staff support to the committee, including any clerical
44 support and technical assistance the committee may need; and be
45 it further
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