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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
116TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "L" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 215, L.D. 283, Bill, "An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds, and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1994 and June 30, 1995"

Amend the amendment in Part F in section 5 in the first line (page 336, line 23 in amendment) by striking out the following: "sub-§8 is" and inserting in its place the following: 'sub-§§8 and 9 are'

Further amend the amendment in Part F in section 5 by inserting at the end the following:

'9. Additional adjustment in fiscal year 1993-94. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Title, for fiscal year 1993-94 only, the state share of the foundation allocation, debt service allocation and minimum state allocation is limited to \$519,739,094. The necessary reduction of \$110,561,521 from the commissioner's recommended funding level for fiscal year 1993-94 must be applied only to the state share of the foundation allocation, the minimum state allocation and the insured value factor of debt service allocation as specified in section 15610, subsection 1, paragraph G.'

Further amend the amendment in Part F in section 15 in subsection 26-A by striking out all of paragraph F.

Further amend the amendment in Part F by inserting after section 17 the following:

'Sec. F-18. 20-A MRSA §15610, sub-§1, ¶¶G and H are enacted to read:

G. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Title, for fiscal year 1993-94 only, the state share of the foundation allocation, the minimum state allocation and the insured

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2 value factor of debt service allocation for each unit must
3 be reduced from the commissioner's recommended funding level
4 by an amount based on 50% of each of the following amounts:

5 (1) An amount calculated as 9.12% of each unit's state
6 share of its foundation allocation, its minimum subsidy
7 and its allocation for the insured value factor of debt
8 service; and

9 (2) An amount calculated by multiplying 0.8778 mills
10 by the state valuation of each unit.

11 H. For all fiscal years following fiscal year 1993-94, in
12 the event that the Legislature maintains, reduces or
13 increases the appropriation for the state share of the
14 foundation allocation or the debt service from the prior
15 year or from the commissioner's recommended funding level
16 for any fiscal year after fiscal year 1993-94, the
17 commissioner shall implement that appropriation by modifying
18 the operating costs mil rate.'
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20 Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering
21 any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
22 consecutively.
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27 **FISCAL NOTE**

28 This amendment provides an alternative method for the
29 distribution of the General Purpose Aid for Local Schools
30 appropriation. While the effect on the funding levels for
31 individual school administrative units can not be determined, the
32 amendment will have no effect on total General Fund
33 appropriations and revenue and a balanced budget is maintained
34 for both years of the biennium. In addition the mill rates
35 established in Part F may need to be adjusted. The effect of
36 this action can not be determined at this time.
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39 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

40 This amendment requires the calculations of the school
41 funding as provided for in the School Finance Act of 1985 and
42 eliminates straight percentage reductions of school funding.
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44 The amendment provides a transitional funding mechanism for
45 fiscal year 1993-94 to minimize the impact on certain school
46 administrative units of eliminating the straight percentage
47 reduction method of calculating each school administrative unit's
48 state subsidy.
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