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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " to H.P. 734, L.D. 992, Bill, "An Act to Prohibit Valuation of Real Property in Excess of 100 Percent"

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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

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'An Act to Establish a Guideline for Maximum Assessment Ratios'

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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:

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'Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §327, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 545, §13, is amended to read:

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1. Minimum assessment ratios. A 50% minimum assessment ratio by 1977; a 60% minimum assessment ratio by 1978; and a 70% minimum assessment ratio by 1979 and thereafter. Notwithstanding this subsection, a municipality should not have an assessment ratio at an amount greater than 110% of its just value;

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Sec. 2. Application. This Act applies to any property tax year beginning on or after April 1, 1994.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment establishes a guideline for a maximum assessment ratio of 110%. The ratio is not a mandated amount and there is no penalty for exceeding the suggested 110% ceiling.

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