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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 658, L.D. 881, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Education Funding Formula"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §6303 is enacted to read:

**§6303. Medicaid for health and human services**

A school administrative unit may receive funds from the Medicaid program pursuant to the United States Social Security Act, 42 United States Code, for the provision of preventive health, health, habilitation, rehabilitation and social services to eligible students in accordance with section 15613, subsection 16.

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §15613, sub-§16 is enacted to read:

16. Medicaid. The state share of the foundation allocation may not be adjusted for a school administrative unit that receives Medicaid funds for the provision of preventive health, health, habilitation, rehabilitation and social services to eligible students pursuant to the United States Social Security Act, 42 United States Code and section 6303.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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**FISCAL NOTE**

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The Department of Education can absorb the costs related to providing technical assistance to school administrative units seeking Medicaid reimbursement.

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Since the state share of the foundation allocation of those school administrative units that receive Medicaid reimbursement will not be adjusted as a result of that reimbursement, the expenditure base will increase. This may result in future additional requests for General Fund appropriations.'

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**STATEMENT OF FACT**

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This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment makes the following changes:

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1. Removes the appropriation to the Department of Education for providing technical assistance to school units;

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2. Removes the requirement that 70% of any savings from Medicaid funds be used to provide health and human services;

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3. Makes technical changes to the bill; and

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4. Adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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