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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1035, L.D. 1454, Bill, "An Act to Make Changes in the Law Establishing the Maine School of Science and Mathematics"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 4 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 4. 20-A MRS A §8207 is enacted to read:

§8207. Financing authority

The board of trustees may borrow funds, issue bonds and negotiate notes and other evidences of indebtedness or obligations of the school for renovation and construction purposes to pay for costs as defined in Title 22, section 2053, subsection 3 and may issue temporary notes and renewal notes to pay for those costs. Bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness or obligations of the school are legal obligations of the school payable solely from its revenues and other sources of funds, including funds obtained pursuant to Title 22, section 2053, subsection 4-B, paragraph B, and do not constitute a debt or liability and those bonds and notes are not includable in any debt limitation of the State or any municipality or political subdivision of the State. The board of trustees has the discretion to fix the date, maturities, denomination, interest rate, place of payment, form and other details of the bonds or notes of the school. Unless otherwise provided in the vote authorizing their issuance, bonds or notes of the school are signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the chair of the board of trustees. The aggregate principal amount of outstanding bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the school may not exceed \$3,000,000 at any one time, excluding temporary notes and renewal notes. The board of trustees may pledge or assign its revenues, including any funds that have been or may be

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2 appropriated to the school by the Town of Limestone, and the
3 proceeds of those revenues as security toward its bonds, notes,
4 other evidences of indebtedness or other obligations of the
5 school. The proceeds of bonds, notes or other evidences of
6 indebtedness may be invested in accordance with Title 30-A,
7 sections 5706 and 5712. Bonds, notes and other evidences of
8 indebtedness issued under this section are not debts of the
9 State, nor a pledge of the credit of the State, but are payable
10 solely from the funds of the school.'

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

14 **FISCAL NOTE**

15 Authorizing the Maine School of Science and Mathematics to
16 borrow up to \$3,000,000 for renovations and construction may
17 result in additional costs up to \$618,750 per year. Since the
18 funding for the school is limited to amounts appropriated, no
19 additional General Fund appropriations are required at this
20 time. This bill may increase future requests for General Fund
21 appropriations to fund the school.
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23 No funding for the Maine School of Science and Mathematics
24 is currently included in the Governor's proposed current services
25 budget.'
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27 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

28 This amendment makes technical changes to the bill that more
29 accurately reflect the current responsibilities of the Maine
30 Health and Higher Education Facilities Authority. The amendment
31 also adds a fiscal note to the bill.
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