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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
117TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT "D" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 701, L.D. 1791, Bill, "An Act to Initiate Education Reform in Maine"

Amend the amendment in section 7 in the 2nd line (page 6, line 11 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Continuation" and inserting in its place the following: 'Beginning in fiscal year 1997-98, continuation'

Further amend the amendment in section 7 in the 5th line (page 6, line 14 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "appropriation" the following: 'beginning in fiscal year 1997-98'

Further amend the amendment in section 7 in the 9th line (page 6, line 18 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "\$2,000,000" the following: ', beginning in fiscal year 1997-98'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 11 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 11. Transfer to the Professional Renewal program in the Department of Education. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, after the State Controller officially closes the financial accounts of the State for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 must be transferred to the Professional Renewal program in the Department of Education from the available balance in the General Fund after the deduction of all appropriations, transfers, financial commitments or other designated funds to be made available by financial order upon the recommendation of the State Budget Officer and the approval of the Governor.

SENATE AMENDMENT

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SENATE AMENDMENT "D" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 701,
L.D. 1791

2 **Sec. 12. Retroactive application.** Section 11 of this Act
applies retroactively to June 30, 1996.'

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FISCAL NOTE

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8 This amendment eliminates the General Fund appropriation to
the Department of Education of \$2,100,000 in fiscal year 1996-97
and delays the requirement that the State provide an annual
10 General Fund appropriation of at least \$2,000,000 to support
professional renewal and development until fiscal year 1997-98.

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14 This amendment authorizes the transfer of up to \$2,000,000
from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund, after all
other required deductions, on a one-time basis at the end of
16 fiscal year 1995-96, in order to support professional renewal and
development.

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SUMMARY

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24 This amendment delays the State's commitment to annually
appropriate at least \$2,000,000 for professional development
until fiscal year 1997-98. It replaces the \$2,100,000 General
Fund appropriation in fiscal year 1996-97 with a provision that
26 funds the Professional Renewal program in the Department of
Education in fiscal year 1996-97 up to \$2,000,000 from the
28 unappropriated surplus of the General Fund after all other
required deductions.

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34 SPONSORED BY: Mary E. Small
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