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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 573, L.D. 813, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Requirements of Full-time Students for State-funding Purposes"

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 8 in the 3rd line (page 1, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "be reimbursed for any student who receives" and inserting in its place the following: 'receive state subsidy for any student who receives instruction through one or more'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 8 in the 4th line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "services" and inserting in its place the following: 'courses'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 8 by inserting after the first underlined sentence the following: 'A school administrative unit that sends any tuition student to another school administrative unit or to a private school approved pursuant to chapter 219 is also entitled to receive state subsidy under this subsection.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

This bill will increase the number of students that schools may count for school subsidy purposes. If additional General Fund appropriations are not provided to cover these additional costs, a redistribution of existing appropriations for school subsidy will result, with school units that have an increased

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2 student count receiving additional state subsidy and units that
do not have an increased count receiving less subsidy. The
4 additional General Fund appropriations that will be required can
not be determined at this time.'

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8 **SUMMARY**

10 This amendment clarifies that school administrative units
receive state subsidy for any student enrolled in an equivalent
12 instruction program who receives instruction through one or more
on-site academic courses from a public school but is not a
14 full-time student. Under this amendment, school administrative
units that send tuition students to another school administrative
16 unit or to a private school pursuant to the Maine Revised
Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 219 are also entitled to receive
18 state subsidy for these students. It also adds a fiscal note to
the bill.