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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
119TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1379, L.D. 1986, Bill, "An Act to Authorize Sly Brook to Secede from Eagle Lake and to Deorganize"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 5 the following:

'Sec. 6. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

2000-01

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Education in the Unorganized Territory

All Other \$45,200

Provides funds to pay the tuition of 8 students who reside in Sly Brook. This appropriation takes effect only if the deorganization of Sly Brook is approved by the voters of Sly Brook pursuant to section 7 of this Act.'

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 7 and inserting in its place the following:

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2 'Sec. 7. Effective date. Sections 1 to 5 of this Act take
effect on July 1, 2000, if deorganization is approved by the
4 voters of the Town of Eagle Lake pursuant to section 7 of this
Act.'

6 Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any
nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
8 consecutively.

10 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the
summary the following:
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14 'FISCAL NOTE

16 The requirements that the question of the deorganization of
Sly Brook be submitted to the voters of the Town of Eagle Lake
18 and, if the deorganization is approved, that the deorganization
be implemented represent state mandates pursuant to the
20 Constitution of Maine. The additional local costs are expected
to be minor. Unless General Fund appropriations are provided to
22 fund at least 90% of the additional costs or a Mandate Preamble
is amended to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each
24 House vote to exempt this mandate from the funding requirement,
the Town of Eagle Lake may not be required to implement these
26 changes.

28 The Department of the Secretary of State will incur some
minor additional costs related to possible election expenses.
30 These costs can be absorbed within the Bureau of Corporations,
Elections and Commissions' existing budgeted resources.
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34 If the deorganization is approved by the voters of Eagle
Lake, the Department of Education, Education in the Unorganized
Territory program, will require an additional General Fund
36 appropriation of \$45,200 in fiscal year 2000-01 to pay tuition on
behalf of 8 students who reside in Sly Brook. These additional
38 costs will be offset by additional General Fund revenue from a
transfer from the Unorganized Territory Education and Services
40 Fund.

42 The Maine Land Use Regulation Commission within the
Department of Conservation will incur some minor additional costs
44 to administer its regulatory duties for the unorganized territory
of Sly Brook. These costs can be absorbed within the
46 commission's existing budgeted resources.

48 The Bureau of Revenue Services also will incur some
additional costs to assess the real and personal property taxes
50 and to implement the deorganization with respect to property tax

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2 administration. These costs are expected to be minor and can be
3 absorbed within the bureau's existing budgeted resources. Any
4 increase of expenditures related to the unorganized territory
5 within the bureau will be offset by an equal increase in General
6 Fund revenue as a result of transfers from the Unorganized
7 Territory Education and Services Fund.'

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SUMMARY

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11 This amendment is the minority report. It makes a minor
12 correction in the section of the bill establishing the effective
13 date of the legislation and adds an appropriation and a fiscal
14 note.