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H.P. 1241

House of Representatives, March 20, 2001

An Act to Ensure Adequate Funding for School Construction Costs.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative McGLOCKLIN of Embden.

Cosponsored by Senator WOODCOCK of Franklin and

Representatives: JODREY of Bethel, LaVERDIERE of Wilton, RICHARD of Madison,

Senator: NUTTING of Androscoggin.

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4 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

5 **Sec. 1. Payment of debt service factor to School Administrative**
6 **District No. 58 for tuition students residing in unorganized territory.** In
7 addition to the legal tuition rate for students residing in the
8 unorganized territory who attend schools in a school
9 administrative unit provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title
10 20-A, section 3252, subsection 4 and section 3253-A, subsection
11 3, the Commissioner of Education shall pay a debt service factor
12 to School Administrative District No. 58 pursuant to Title 20-A,
13 section 5804, subsection 3 and section 5805, subsection 4. That
14 debt service factor payment must equal 10% of the district's
15 legal tuition rate for each student residing in the unorganized
16 territory who attends school in School Administrative District
17 No. 58. The commissioner shall commence payment of the debt
18 service factor under this Act in the year in which the district
19 first incurs capital outlay and debt service costs associated
20 with the school addition project for Kingfield Elementary School
21 in the Town of Kingfield. The commissioner shall continue to pay
22 the debt service factor provided in this Act annually for 10
23 years or until the year in which the debt of the district
24 attributable to the addition is retired, whichever occurs first.

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26 **SUMMARY**

27 This bill requires the Commissioner of Education to pay as a
28 supplement to the regular student tuition for unorganized
29 territory students attending school in School Administrative
30 District No. 58 a debt service factor to help fund school
31 construction costs of the school district. The amount of the
32 debt service factor is equal to 10% of the tuition rate for
33 unorganized territory students attending school in School
34 Administrative District No. 58. The commissioner must pay the
35 debt service factor annually for 10 years or until the debt
36 associated with the school addition project at Kingfield
Elementary School is retired, whichever occurs first.