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In Senate, March 20, 2002

An Act Regarding the Withdrawal of Lake View Plantation from School Administrative District No. 41.

(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.

PAMELA L. CAHILL Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis. Cosponsored by Senator CATHCART of Penobscot, Representatives: HASKELL of Milford, JONES of Greenville, STANLEY of Medway.

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

Sec. 1. Responsibility for education costs for exceptional student. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the municipality of Lake View Plantation shall pay the full municipal share of the cost of the education of an exceptional student, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 7001, subsection 2, who is a resident of Lake View Plantation. This section applies retroactively to June 30, 2002.

Sec. 2. Responsibility for debt. If the municipality of Lake View Plantation withdraws from School Administrative District No. 41, Lake View Plantation is responsible for its share of the debt of that school administrative district. This section applies retroactively to June 30, 2002.

Sec. 3. P&SL 1965, c. 68, 2nd ¶ is amended to read:

Notwithstanding the provisions of Title 20, section 305, the costs of the district shall be apportioned and the assessments shall be made in proportion to the total sum required each year as that town's state valuation bears to the total state valuation of all the participating towns, except that if the apportionent for maintenance and operation of the schools results in a per pupil cost to any participating town in excess of 150% of the average per pupil cost apportioned among the remaining towns according to the last-preceding state valuation.

Sec. 4. P&SL 1965, c. 68, 3rd ¶, 3rd sentence, as enacted by PL 1967, c. 104, is amended to read:

 From the foundation program thus distributed shall be subtracted the yield of 20 mills times the member municipality's state valuation provided that no member municipality shall be required to appropriate more than 80% 100% of the foundation program.

Sec. 5. Effective date. Those sections of this Act that amend Private and Special Law 1965, chapter 68 take effect June 30, 2003.

SUMMARY

This bill changes the way the costs of School Administrative District No. 41 are apportioned among the municipalities in that district, beginning June 30, 2003. It requires the municipality of Lake View Plantation to pay the full municipal share of the cost of the education of an exceptional student who is a resident

of Lake View Plantation beginning June 30, 2002. It provides that if Lake View Plantation withdraws from School Administrative District No. 41 on or after June 30, 2002, Lake View Plantation is responsible for its share of the debt of the district.