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An Act To Establish a Cost-sharing Formula for the Five Town Community School District

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)

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.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative MERRILL of Appleton.
Cosponsored by Senator WESTON of Waldo and
Representative: BOWEN of Rockport, Senator: SAVAGE of Knox.

2 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not
become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
as emergencies; and

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6 **Whereas,** this legislation needs to take effect before the
expiration of the 90-day period to enable the voters of the Five
Town Community School District to vote on a budget that is based
8 on the cost-sharing formula established in this legislation; and

10 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
12 Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
14 safety; now, therefore,

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

18 **Sec. 1. P&SL 1993, c. 64, §10, sub-§1,** as amended by P&SL 1993,
c. 87, §1, is repealed.

20 **Sec. 2. P&SL 1993, c. 64, §10, sub-§§1-A and 1-B,** as enacted by
22 P&SL 1993, c. 87, §2, are repealed.

24 **Sec. 3. P&SL 1993, c. 64, §10, sub-§1-C** is enacted to read:

26 1-C. Cost-sharing formula. Beginning July 1, 2005, the
community school district shall share its costs, including
28 additional local funds, among the member municipalities in
proportion to each municipality's required contribution to the
30 total cost of funding education as described in the Essential
Programs and Services Funding Act in the Maine Revised Statutes,
32 Title 20-A, chapter 606-B.

34 **Sec. 4. P&SL 1993, c. 64, §10, sub-§2,** as amended by P&SL 1993,
c. 87, §3, is repealed.

36 **Sec. 5. P&SL 1993, c. 64, §10, sub-§3** is amended to read:

38 **3. Amendment of formula.** The cost-sharing formula
40 applicable to the community school district's additional local
funds may be amended pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes,
42 Title 20-A, section 1704.

44 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the
preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.
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SUMMARY

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4 This bill establishes a cost-sharing formula for the
community school district created in Private and Special Law
1993, chapter 64. It provides that beginning July 1, 2005, the
6 community school district shall share its costs, including
additional local funds, among the member municipalities in
8 proportion to each municipality's required contribution to the
total cost of funding education as described in the Essential
10 Programs and Services Funding Act. It also provides that the
cost-sharing formula applicable to the community school
12 district's additional local funds may be amended pursuant to the
Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 1704.