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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
123RD LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1510, L.D. 2131, Bill, "An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Legislative Youth Advisory Council with Respect to Educational and Organizational Matters"

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of paragraph D (page 1, lines 4 to 8 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'D. Meet Except as provided in this paragraph, meet at least 3 times but not more than 6 times per year, including not more than 2 public hearings on issues of importance to youth. The council may meet more than 6 times in a year if the Executive Director of the Legislative Council determines that sufficient budgeted resources remain after paying all costs associated with the initial 6 meetings to pay any additional costs associated with any additional meetings; and'

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 3 and 4 and inserting in their place the following:

'Sec. 3. Cocurricular honor contracts. A school board, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 1, subsection 28, may elect to adopt a cocurricular honor contract that may specify the types of behavior covered by the contract, the extent to which the contract covers the behavior of a student while off school grounds at other than school-sponsored activities, the standards or process to be used to determine if a student has violated the contract and standards to ensure that the contract, if adopted by the board, will be enforced consistently and fairly.'

SUMMARY

This amendment allows the Legislative Youth Advisory Council to meet more than 6 times per year if the Executive Director of the Legislative Council determines that sufficient budgeted resources remain after paying all costs associated with the initial 6 meetings to pay any additional costs associated with any additional meetings.

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1 The amendment also strikes provisions in the bill requiring the State Board of
2 Education to adopt rules establishing minimum standards for cocurricular honor contracts
3 and replaces those provisions with more general guidelines for school boards regarding
4 what may be included in cocurricular honor contracts should a school board decide to
5 adopt such a contract.

6 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

7 (See attached)



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LD 2131

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An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Legislative Youth Advisory Council with Respect to Educational and Organizational Matters

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Education and Cultural Services

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Legislative Cost/Study

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This legislation allows the Legislative Youth Advisory Council to meet more than six times per year if sufficient budgeted resources remain after paying the costs of the initial six meetings. If sufficient resources are not available to pay all the costs of these meetings, the Youth Advisory Council would not be authorized to meet. Also, Legislative Council staffing may be curtailed during periods when the Legislature is in session.