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MINORITY

L.D. 357

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EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

124TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 121, L.D. 357, Bill, "An Act To Require the Teaching of Acadian History as Part of Maine History"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Require the Teaching of Franco-American History as Part of Maine History'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2 in the 4th line (page 1, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Acadian" and inserting the following: 'Franco-American'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Learning Systems 0839

Initiative: Provides one-time funds associated with the cost of revising the content standards in Social Studies.

GENERAL FUND	2009-10	2010-11
All Other	\$30,000	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$30,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

This amendment is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. It requires the study of Franco-American history instead of Acadian history.

The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section to the bill.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



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LD 357

LR 1426(02)

An Act To Require the Teaching of Acadian History as Part of Maine History

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"
 Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs
 Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Unfunded

	2009-10	2010-11	Projections 2011-12	Projections 2012-13
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Mandates

Required Activity

The bill requires the study of Franco-American history be included in the system of learning results.

Unit Affected

School

Local Cost

Significant statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a State mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. Unless General Fund appropriations are provided to 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 House vote to exempt this mandate from the funding requirement, municipalities may not be required to implement these changes.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$30,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 to the Learning Systems program within the Department of Education for the costs of adding the study of Franco-American history to the content standards. This estimate is based on the actual costs incurred by the Department when Native American studies were added to the content standards requiring the Department to develop performance standards and instructional materials.