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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
124TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 670, L.D. 1747, Bill, "An Act To Allow the Town of Wells and the Town of Ogunquit To Amend the Terms of Their Cost-sharing Agreement for Their Community School District and To Provide Each Town the Ability To Withdraw from the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District"

Amend the amendment by striking out the substitute title and inserting the following:

**'An Act Related to Cost Sharing for the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District'**

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. Wells-Ogunquit Community School District; mediation of cost-sharing agreement.** If one of the towns involved is willing to bear the costs, including the reasonable costs of the opposing party, the Town of Wells and the Town of Ogunquit shall enter into mediation of any disputes related to the sharing of costs for the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District by September 1, 2010. If the towns enter into mediation they shall jointly choose a mediator from among alternative dispute resolution providers qualified by the Supreme Judicial Court under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 18-B, subsection 2.

**Sec. 2. Binding arbitration.** If mediation under section 1 is not successfully concluded by August 31, 2011, the towns may jointly agree to an extension or, if one of the towns is willing to bear the costs, including the reasonable costs of the opposing party, the towns shall enter binding arbitration under the Maine Uniform Arbitration Act to settle the issues in dispute.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment provides that if one of the towns is willing to bear the costs, the Town of Wells and the Town of Ogunquit shall enter into mediation of any disputes related to the sharing of costs for the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District. If mediation is not successful after one year, the towns may jointly agree to an extension or,

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if one of the towns is willing to bear the costs, the towns shall enter binding arbitration under the Maine Uniform Arbitration Act.

SPONSORED BY: 

(Representative HILL)

TOWN: York

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED  
(See attached)



Approved: 03/31/10 *MAC*

# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1747

LR 2323(04)

**An Act To Allow the Town of Wells and the Town of Ogunquit To Amend the Terms of Their Cost-sharing Agreement for Their Community School District and To Provide Each Town the Ability To Withdraw from the Wells-Ogunquit Community School District**

**Fiscal Note for House Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A"**

**Sponsor: Rep. Hill of York**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Removes State Mandate

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment eliminates the requirement in the Committee Amendment that would have created a State mandate. As amended, this legislation, which requires the Town of Wells and the Town of Ogunquit to enter into mediation and/or binding arbitration only if one of the towns is willing to bear the costs, including the reasonable costs of the opposing party, is not a State mandate.