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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 275, L.D. 349, Bill, "An Act To Require the Inclusion of a Financial Statement on School Administrative Unit Bond 10 Obligations When Voting on a School Construction Project"

12 Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 4 by striking out all of paragraph F (page 1, 13 lines 12 to 15 in L.D.).

14 Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 4 by relettering the paragraphs to read 15 consecutively.

SUMMARY

17 This amendment removes the provision from the bill that requires that a treasurer's 18 statement of the amount of indebtedness incurred, including indebtedness associated with 19 bonds, lease agreements or lease-purchase agreements, must be provided when the 20 indebtedness incurred exceeds \$20,000.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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An Act To Require the Inclusion of a Financial Statement on School Administrative Unit Bond Obligations When Voting on a School Construction Project

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

Fiscal Note

State Mandate - Unfunded

State Mandates

Required ActivityUnit AffectedLocal CostRequires a treasurer's statement that outlines information on the total amount of
bonds outstanding, authorized and unissued, contemplated to be issued and the
estimated cost of repaying the debt be included in an article that is submitted to the
voters for a school construction project.Unit AffectedLocal Cost

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 legislation will not affect the total cost of K-12 public education or the state's share of that cost. This bill may increase costs to those local school administrative units that are submitting articles to the voters for school construction projects to provide the required treasurer's statement. The amount can not be determined at this time.