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Minority

L.D. 385  
(Filing No. H-358)

**EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
125TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 311, L.D. 385, Bill, "An Act To Amend the School Administrative Unit Consolidation Laws"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 11 the following:

**Sec. 12. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

**General Purpose Aid for Local Schools 0308**

Initiative: Provides funds for the cost of reimbursing those local school administrative units that were assessed a penalty for not conforming to the laws governing school administrative unit reorganization.

GENERAL FUND	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
All Other	\$3,612,507	\$4,300,000	\$0
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,612,507</b>	<b>\$4,300,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**SUMMARY**

This amendment is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 385

LR 327(03)

## An Act To Amend the School Administrative Unit Consolidation Laws

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "B"  
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	Projections FY 2013-14	Projections FY 2014-15
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>					
General Fund	\$3,612,507	\$4,300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>					
General Fund	\$3,612,507	\$4,300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$3,612,507 in fiscal year 2010-11 to the General Purpose Aid for Local Schools program within the Department of Education for the cost associated with reimbursing nonconforming school administrative units for the amount that their fiscal year 2010-2011 state subsidy was reduced by for failing to comply with the laws governing school administrative unit reorganization. This fiscal note assumes that, although this is an emergency bill, it will not be enacted in time for the Department of Education to recalculate the amount of subsidy to be distributed to local school administrative units (SAU's) in the 2010-2011 school year.

Additionally, this bill includes a General Fund appropriation of \$4,300,000 in fiscal year 2011-12 to the General Purpose Aid for Local Schools program for the cost associated with reimbursing nonconforming school administrative units for the amount that their fiscal year 2011-12 state subsidy was reduced for not complying with the laws governing school administrative unit reorganization. This fiscal note assumes that, since the State's budget for fiscal year 2011-12 and the budgets of local SAU's for the 2011-2012 school year will be set well before this legislation becomes effective, a General Fund appropriation will be provided so those school administrative units who did comply with the school reorganization laws will not be negatively impacted.