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House of Representatives, February 12, 2013

An Act To Increase Public Awareness Regarding School Budget Elections

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND Clerk

Presented by Representative McCLELLAN of Raymond. Cosponsored by Representatives: JOHNSON of Eddington, POULIOT of Augusta, WILSON of Augusta.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2 3	Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §1486, sub-§3, ¶F, as repealed and replaced by PL 2009, c. 415, Pt. B, §7, is amended to read:
4	F. The article to be voted on must be in the following form:
5 6 7 8 9	(1) "Do you favor approving the (name of regional school unit) budget for the upcoming school year <u>in the amount of (total dollar amount of school budget)</u> , which is (an increase or a decrease) of (percentage amount of increase or <u>decrease</u>) from last year's budget, that was adopted at the latest (name of regional school unit) budget meeting?
10	Yes No"
11	SUMMARY
12 13 14 15	This bill changes the form of the question required in a budget validation referendum for a regional school unit to include the total dollar amount of the school budget and the percentage increase or decrease in the school budget compared to the budget in the previous year.