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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 743, L.D. 1082, Bill, "An Act To 9 Ensure Equitable Support of Education for Maine Students in School Administrative 10 District No. 6 and School Administrative District No. 44" 11

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

13 'Resolve, Relating to the Member Municipalities in School Administrative District 14 No. 6'

15 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and 16 inserting the following:

17 'Sec. 1. Negotiation, Resolved: That the Town of Frye Island and the other member municipalities in School Administrative District No. 6 or their representatives. 18 referred to in this resolve as "the parties," shall negotiate in good faith in order to reach a 19 20 settlement of the disputes between the parties regarding:

1. The method of determining the proportional share of the local cost of education 22 for the Town of Frye Island and the other member municipalities in School 23 Administrative District No. 6: and

The provisions for the Town of Frye Island to withdraw from School Administrative District No. 6; and be it further

26 Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, no later than December 11, 2015, the parties 27 shall submit a report that includes their findings and recommendations, including 28 suggested legislation, regarding any necessary changes to the method of determining the 29 proportional share of the local cost of education for the Town of Frye Island and the other 30 member municipalities in School Administrative District No. 6 for kindergarten to grade 31 12 and to the enacted law provisions related to the authorization and procedures necessary for the Town of Frye Island to withdraw from School Administrative District 32 33 No. 6 to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs; and be it 34 further

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Sec. 3. Legislation. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs may submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature to implement its recommendations on matters relating to the report submitted by the parties pursuant to section 2.'

SUMMARY

6 This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and requires the Town of Frye Island 7 and the other member municipalities in School Administrative District No. 6 or their 8 representatives to negotiate in good faith in order to reach a settlement of the disputes 9 between the member municipalities regarding the formula for computing each 10 municipality's assessment for the total expenses of the school district and the provisions for the Town of Frye Island to withdraw from the school district. The amendment also 11 12 requires that the member municipalities present a report that includes their findings and 13 recommendations regarding changes to the formula for apportionment of kindergarten to 14 grade 12 education costs of the member municipalities and to the statutes related to the 15 authorization and procedures necessary for the Town of Frye Island to withdraw from the 16 school district to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs no later than December 11, 2015. Finally, the amendment provides that the joint standing 17 18 committee may submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature 19 regarding its recommendations on the report submitted by the member municipalities to 20 settle these disputes.