

STATE OF MAINE

In House

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs shall conduct a study of the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 606-B, to determine whether it is meeting the goals of providing an appropriate and sufficient level of state funding for public education. In conducting the study, the committee shall invite the participation of interested parties, such as the Commissioner of Education or the commissioner's designee, superintendents of school administrative units and representatives of municipalities and regional service centers, such as town or city managers. The committee, with input from the interested parties, shall determine a method of providing state funds to public schools that is more uniform in application and balances the interests of the State and public schools fairly and consistently. The committee shall report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature no later than January 15, 2020 implementing its findings and recommendations.

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