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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

129TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 531, L.D. 1641, Bill, "An Act To Strengthen the School Transportation Workforce"

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

'Resolve, To Examine Issues Relating to the School Transportation Workforce'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Stakeholder group. Resolved: That the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Labor, shall comprehensively examine issues associated with the school transportation workforce, including, but not limited to, determining the best strategies for hiring, training and retaining school transportation personnel. The Department of Education shall consider ways to conduct training at no cost to the school transportation personnel. By January 1, 2020, the department shall submit a report with findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing. Each committee may report out a bill on the subject of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve that directs the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Labor, to comprehensively examine issues associated with the school transportation workforce, including, but not limited to, determining the best strategies for hiring, training and retaining school transportation personnel. The department is required to submit a report with findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing. Each committee is authorized to report out a bill on the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1641

LR 2423(02)

An Act To Strengthen the School Transportation Workforce

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "H" (S-172)
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Education and the Department of Labor to conduct the examination of issues associated with the school transportation workforce and to submit the required report can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.