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L.D. 1813

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Date: 2-28-20

(Filing No. H-702)

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EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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129TH LEGISLATURE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1291, L.D. 1813, "Resolve, To Ensure Safe and Inclusive Learning Environments"

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Amend the resolve in section 2 in the 5th line (page 1, line 24 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and in social and emotional development" and inserting the following: ', social and emotional development and school safety and security'

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Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 4 and inserting the following:

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'Sec. 4. Report. Resolved: That, no later than December 1, 2020, the Commissioner of Education shall submit a report that includes the working group's findings and recommendations, including suggested legislation, for presentation to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs may report out legislation to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature based on the recommendations.

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Sec. 5. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

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EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF

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School and Student Supports Z270

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Initiative: Provides one-time funds to reimburse school administrative units for the cost of substitute teachers for those working group members who are educators as well as other related costs associated with members of the working group attending working group meetings.

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GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
All Other	\$0	\$12,600
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$12,600</u>

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

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SUMMARY

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This amendment provides that the members of the Department of Education included in the working group must include members with expertise in school safety and security. The amendment also changes the reporting date to require that the report be submitted no later than December 1, 2020 for presentation to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature and provides that the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs may report out legislation to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature. This amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1813

LR 2130(02)

Resolve, To Ensure Safe and Inclusive Learning Environments

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *(ACH-702)*

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	Projections FY 2021-22	Projections FY 2022-23
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	\$0	\$12,600	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	\$0	\$12,600	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes a one-time General Fund appropriation of \$12,600 in fiscal year 2020-21 to the School and Student Supports program within the Department of Education for the costs associated with the department convening a working group on safe and inclusive learning environments. The department estimates that the working group will have 21 members and that it will cost an average of \$200 per working group member to attend approximately 3 meetings of the working group. These costs include travel reimbursement, catering, space rental and reimbursement to school administrative units for the cost of substitute teachers for those working group members who are educators.