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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

SENATE AMENDMENT “**A**” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H P 294,
L D 477, “Resolve, Directing the Department of Education, Maine School Safety Center
to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Develop Best Practices for Lockdown Drills and
Allowing Parents to Opt Out of Lockdown Drills for Their Children”

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the 3rd to 6th instructional paragraphs
(page 1, lines 20 to 27 in amendment) and inserting the following

'Amend the resolve in section 1 by striking out all of the last paragraph (page 1, lines
14 to 24 in L D) and inserting the following

'By January 1, 2025, the department shall report to the joint standing committee of the
Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs on the work of the
stakeholder group, specifically regarding the best practices for lockdown drills and active
shooter drills and a plan for all school staff to be trained in their school administrative unit's
emergency plan prior to January 1, 2026, but also including an evaluation of the
effectiveness of the range of lockdown drills and active shooter drills as implemented by
public schools at increasing safety, the traumatic impact of lockdown drills and active
shooter drills on students and school staff, the number of school administrative units using
best practices for lockdown drills and active shooter drills and other strategies to ensure
students and school staff are prepared to respond to emergencies, including school
shootings The joint standing committee may report out a bill to the 132nd Legislature in
2025 to implement the recommendations of the stakeholder group ''

Amend the amendment by inserting after the 7th instructional paragraph the following

'Amend the resolve in section 2 in the 4th line (page 1, line 28 in L D) by striking out
the following "child" and inserting the following 'children'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 3 and inserting the following

'Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following
appropriations and allocations are made

**EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF
Maine School Safety Center Z293**
Initiative Provides one-time funds for staffing and other related costs to support the work
of the stakeholder group established to develop best practices for lockdown drills and active

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1 shooter drills implemented by school administrative units to minimize traumatic impact on
2 students and school staff

3	GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
4	All Other	\$0	\$5,000
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6	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$5,000

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8 Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
9 section number to read consecutively

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SUMMARY

11 This amendment amends Committee Amendment "A" to change the Department of
12 Education's reporting date to January 1, 2025 and the school staff training deadline to
13 January 1, 2026 and to move the appropriation to fiscal year 2024-25

14 SPONSORED BY: Rotundo M

15 (Senator ROTUNDO, M.)

16 COUNTY: Androscoggin

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 477

LR 665(04)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education, Maine School Safety Center to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Develop Best Practices for Lockdown Drills and Active Shooter Drills and Allowing Parents to Opt Out of Active Shooter Drills for Their Children

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A"

Sponsor: Sen. Rotundo of Androscoggin

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	Projections FY 2025-26	Projections FY 2026-27
Net Cost (Savings)				
General Fund	(\$5,000)	\$5,000	\$0	\$0
Appropriations/Allocations				
General Fund	(\$5,000)	\$5,000	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This amendment eliminates the one-time General Fund appropriation of \$5,000 in fiscal year 2023-24 included in the bill to the Maine School Safety Center program within the Department of Education for staffing and other related costs to support the work of the stakeholder group established to develop best practices for lockdown drills and active shooter drills implemented by school administrative units to minimize traumatic impact on students and school staff and instead provides a one-time General Fund appropriation for the same amount in fiscal year 2024-25 for the same purpose