

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 97th LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1034, L.D. 1206, Bill, "An

Act Adjusting Limitations on School Assessments in

the Unorganized Territory to Conform with New State

Valuations."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the Title the following Emergency Preamble:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves passed by the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, unorganized territory school taxes are assessed as of April 1; and

Whereas, the State Board of Tax Equalization made a revaluation of the state in 1954 which affected the income from the school tax on the unorganized territory; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the next to last line thereof the underlined word "twice" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words 'a school tax rate of 10 mills on the dollar above'

Further amend said Bill by inserting before the period at the end thereof the following underlined punctuation and words: '; except that the school tax rate for the assessment made April 1, 1955 shall be limited to a school tax rate of 10 mills on the dollar above the average of the school tax rates of the municipalities of the State as found by dividing the 1954 municipal appropriations for school maintenance and operation by the 1954 state valuation of said municipalities'

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following Emergency Clause:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble this act shall take effect when approved.'

Filed by the Committee on Taxation.

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