

## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 98th LEGISLATURE

## HOUSE AMENDMENT "E" to S. P. 515, L. D. 1478, Bill, "An Act Relating to Educational Aid and Reorganization of School Administrative Units."

Amend said Bill in that part of "Sec. 1" designated "Sec.237-E" by adding the following paragraph and table by inserting them between the first and second paragraphs following table II in said "Sec. 237-E."

Since it is the intent of the Legislature - (1) to recognize that the support of education is a partnership between the state and the administrative unit such that each partner shall share on a percentage basis increases and decreases in the total operating cost of school programs in those administrative units which the School District Commission shall determine are necessary and efficient units (2) to establish the foundation program as a minimum measure of local effort for school support; and (3) to encourage administrative units to develop and support school programs which are above the minimum, the subsidy paid annually to any administrative unit, approved by the School District Commission as a necessary and efficient unit, in which the average net operating cost in any biennium exceeds the amount of the average net foundation program allowance, its state subsidy in the next two years will be increased by adding to that unit's preliminary allotment the amount found by applying to such excess the percentages in Table III below:

## TABLE III

If difference between net foundation program and net operating cost is	Subsidy shall be increased by
\$50,000 or under	10% of difference
Between \$50,001 and \$100,000	\$5,000 plus 5% of amount over \$50,000
<b>Over</b> \$100,000	\$7500 plus 2-1/2% of amount over \$100,000

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