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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

EDUCATION

BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JUNE 1987

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All Adopted Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

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Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP ,	Indefinitely Postponed

Sponsor: O'GARA, Diamond, Hussey, Ketover

Committee Report: OTP-A

Amendments Adopted:

H-243 O'GARA S-137 ESTES

S-262 PEARSON

SUMMARY: The bill first increases the amount of adult education expenses which are eligible for state subsidy. This increase includes adding fringe benefit costs to the salary costs presently covered. It also adds 50% coverage for consumable supplies and textbooks for all but general adult courses. Finally, it adds 50% reimbursement for certain administrative costs which were not covered under the present statute.

The second goal of the bill is to make the method of computing allowable adult education costs the same as that for calculating allowable elementary and secondary costs. The sponsors of the bill also intended that the Department of Educational and Cultural Services would fund the departmental administration of the adult education program with state money and thereby increase the federal dollars available for local programs.

The committee amendment changed a filing date for allowable costs.

House Amendment A added an appropriations section and a fiscal note.

Senate Amendment A revised the method of computing and reporting allowable costs to make it compatible with the changes in another bill amending the same section of statute. It did not involve a substantive change.

The Senate Amendment to the House Amendment removed the appropriation because an appropriation was included in the Part II Budget.