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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
132ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 647, L.D. 1639, “An Act to Codify Minimum Instructional Hours in the State's Schools”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Conduct a Statewide Survey Related to Instructional Time in Public Schools'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Statewide survey; instructional time. Resolved: That the Department of Education shall conduct a statewide survey of school administrative units to collect data on the number of hours a day used for instructional time in schools throughout the State. No later than December 1, 2025, the department shall submit a report with the results of the survey to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The committee may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

**EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF
School Finance and Operations Z078**

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for a part-time contracted position to administer the statewide survey on the number of hours a day used for instructional time in schools and analyze the results.

GENERAL FUND	2025-26	2026-27
All Other	\$30,000	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$30,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

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

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SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. It also adds an appropriations and allocations section. The amendment directs the Department of Education to conduct a statewide survey of school administrative units to collect data on the number of hours a day used for instructional time in schools. The department is required to submit a report with the results of the survey to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs by December 1, 2025.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)