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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 918, L.D. 1422, “An Act to End Homelessness and Assist Students Who Are Homeless by Establishing a Housing Voucher Program and Providing Site-based Housing Services”

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

'An Act to End Homelessness and Assist Students Who Are Homeless by Establishing a Rental Subsidy Program'

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

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

Whereas, the current housing crisis is having a significant impact on students at the elementary and secondary school levels; and

Whereas, students experiencing homelessness are unable to benefit from their education as intended and are extremely vulnerable to exploitation and trauma; 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,'

Amend the bill in section 1 in sub-c. 14 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "**VOUCHER**" and inserting the following: '**SUBSIDY**'

Amend the bill in section 1 in sub-c. 14 in §4994-A in the first line (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "**Voucher**" and inserting the following: '**Subsidy**'

Amend the bill in section 1 in sub-c. 14 in §4994-A in subsection 2 in the first line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "**voucher**" and inserting the following: '**subsidy**'

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 and 3 and inserting the following:

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1 amendment also adds an emergency preamble and an emergency clause and changes the
2 title.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)