

128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Repeal Certain Provisions Regarding the System Administration Allocation Affecting Maine School Districts in the 2018-2019 Biennial Budget

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "
Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Redistribution of state subsidy - Local school administrative units

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation repeals the sections of current law that set the per-pupil amounts for system administration to be allocated to school administrative units (SAU's) in fiscal year 2019-20 and instead holds the per-pupil amounts at the 2018-19 level for fiscal year 2019-20 and beyond.

Lowering the per-pupil allocation for system administration for fiscal year 2019-20 by \$3 (from 141 to \$138) will reduce the total system administration allocation versus current law. Assuming student enrollment of 180,000 in fiscal year 2019-20, the total system administration allocation would be approximately \$540,000 lower than what it would be under current law. Changing the per-pupil allocation amounts to be allocated to SAU's for system administration (from \$47 to \$92) and SAU's that have established regionalized administrative services pursuant to Title 20-A, chapter 123 (from \$94 to \$46 and now including high-performing, efficient SAU's) will result in a redistribution of state subsidy, with some SAU's receiving more subsidy than would have been received absent this legislation and some SAU's receiving less. The impact to individual SAU's can not be determined.