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An Act to Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services to Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2025-26

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston.

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

Whereas, prompt determination and certification of the municipal cost components in the Unorganized Territory Tax District are necessary to the establishment of a mill rate and the levy of the Unorganized Territory Educational and Services Tax; 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,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

 Sec. 1. Municipal cost components for services rendered. In accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, chapter 115, the Legislature determines that the net municipal cost component for services and reimbursements to be rendered in fiscal year 2025-26 is as follows:

15	Fiscal Administration - Office of the State Auditor	\$286,996
16 17	Education	\$16,289,568
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19	Forest Fire Protection	\$120,000
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21	Human Services - General Assistance	\$55,000
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23	Property Tax Assessment	\$1,389,510
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25	Maine Land Use Planning Commission	\$799,806
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27	TOTAL STATE AGENCIES	\$18,940,880
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29	County Reimbursements for Services	
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31	Aroostook	\$2,480,883
32	Franklin	\$3,029,129
33	Hancock	\$183,366
34	Kennebec	\$20,719
35	Lincoln	\$38,570
36	Oxford	\$2,475,650
37	Penobscot	\$1,938,696
38	Piscataquis	\$2,112,825
39	Somerset	\$2,862,163
40	Washington	\$1,589,670
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42	TOTAL COUNTY SERVICES	\$16,731,671
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COUNTY TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRIBUTIONS FROM FUND

1	Tax Increment Financing Payments	\$3,127,586	
2 3 4	TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	\$38,800,137	
5 6	COMPUTATION OF ASSESSMENT		
7 8	Requirements	\$38,800,137	
9	Less Revenue Deductions:		
10	General Revenue		
11	Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$580,000	
12	Homestead Reimbursement	\$325,000	
13	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$10,000	
14	Use of Unassigned Fund Balance	\$3,550,317	
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16	TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE DEDUCTIONS	\$4,465,317	
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18	Education Revenue		
19	Land Reserved Trust Interest	\$110,000	
20	Tuition and School Transportation Charges	\$150,000	
21	Special - Teacher Retirement Funding from State	\$250,000	
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23	TOTAL EDUCATION REVENUE DEDUCTIONS	\$510,000	
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25	TOTAL REVENUE DEDUCTIONS	\$4,975,317	
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27	TAX ASSESSMENT BEFORE COUNTY TAXES	\$33,824,820	
28	AND OVERLAY (Title 36, §1602)		
29	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the pream	able this legislation	
30	takes effect when approved.	ioie, unis registation	
31	SUMMARY		
32	This bill establishes municipal cost components for state and county services provided		
33	to the unorganized territory that would normally be paid for by a municipality. The		
34	municipal cost components constitute the property tax for the unorganized territory.		