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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 311, L.D. 385, Bill, “An Act To Amend the School Administrative Unit Consolidation Laws”

Amend the bill by striking out all of the emergency preamble (page 1, lines 1 to 10 in L.D.)

Amend the bill by inserting after section 11 the following:

'Sec. 12. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2012.'

Amend the bill by striking out all of the emergency clause.

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The amendment strikes the emergency preamble and the emergency clause from the bill. The amendment also adds an effective date of July 1, 2012 to the bill, including provisions that repeal the following:

1. The Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15696, which sets out penalties for nonconforming school administrative units;
2. References in the Maine Revised Statutes to penalties for nonconforming school administrative units, including in provisions pertaining to a member municipality that withdraws from a regional school unit and does not join a conforming school administrative unit within 2 years, a member entity that withdraws from an alternative organizational structure and does not join a conforming school administrative unit within 2 years and referenda provision language for a nonconforming school administrative unit seeking to join an existing regional school unit;
3. Provisions governing school administrative units failing to approve a reorganization plan on or before January 30, 2009 in Public Law 2007, chapter 240, Part XXXX that cross-reference the penalties established for nonconforming school administrative units; and

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 4. Provisions in Public Law 2007, chapter 240, Part XXXX that cross-reference the
2 penalties established for nonconforming school administrative units and direct the State
3 Board of Education to modify rules governing the rating process for school construction.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)