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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 809, L.D. 1234, “An Act to Ban Cellular
Telephones from Public School Classrooms”

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

'An Act Regarding Cellular Telephones in Public Schools'

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

'Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §1001, sub-§23 is enacted to read:

23. Cellular telephone policy. By August 1, 2026, a school board shall adopt and
implement a policy related to use of personal electronic devices during the school day. The
policy must include, but is not limited to, provisions related to student use of cellular
telephones and wearable electronic devices with Internet or cellular network connectivity
capabilities.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill and changes the title. The amendment provides that,
by August 1, 2026, a school board must adopt a policy related to use of personal electronic
devices during the school day. The policy must include, but is not limited to, provisions
related to student use of cellular telephones and wearable electronic devices.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)