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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 850, L.D. 1228, Bill, "An Act To Ensure That Charter School Students Have Access to Extracurricular Activities"

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

'Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §2415, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

2-A. Participation in activities. A school administrative unit shall make resources and services available to an eligible student in accordance with this subsection. For purposes of this subsection, "eligible student" means a student enrolled in a public charter school who is eligible to attend a school in that school administrative unit, including a student who resides in the unorganized territory.

A. An eligible student is eligible to participate in cocurricular activities sponsored by the school administrative unit if:

(1) The student or the student's parent or guardian applies in writing to the principal of the school and receives the written approval of the principal or the principal's designee, which may not unreasonably be withheld; and

(2) The student complies with the applicable behavioral, disciplinary and other rules governing regularly enrolled students participating in the activities.

B. An eligible student is eligible to try out for extracurricular activities sponsored by the school administrative unit if the following requirements are satisfied:

(1) The student applies in writing to the principal of the school and agrees to abide by the same rules of participation as are applicable to regularly enrolled students participating in the activity and provides evidence that the rules of participation are being met;

(2) The student complies with the same physical examination, immunization, insurance, age and semester eligibility requirements as are applicable to regularly enrolled students participating in the activity. All required documentation must be provided by the student upon request by the school unit;

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1 activities, except that the public charter school is not required to pay in any fiscal year
2 more than 100% of the fiscal year amount of the EPS per-pupil funding received by the
3 public charter school for cocurricular and extracurricular activities.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)