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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1335, L.D. 1850, “Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Strengthen the Adequacy and Equity of Certain Cost Components of the School Funding Formula”

Amend the resolve in section 2 in the first paragraph in the 2nd line (page 1, line 15 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "18" and inserting the following: '14'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 5 in the first paragraph in the first line (page 1, line 29 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Eleven" and inserting the following: 'Seven'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 5 by striking out all of paragraphs F to K (page 2, lines 3 to 14 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'F. One person representing the Maine Association of School Business Officials, appointed by the Speaker of the House; and

G. One person representing Educare Central Maine, appointed by the Speaker of the House; and be it further'

Amend the resolve in section 5 in the first paragraph in the first and 2nd lines (page 2, lines 25 and 26 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "hold no more than 6 meetings. The commission shall"

Amend the resolve by inserting after section 5 the following:

Sec. 6. Commission meetings authorized. Resolved: That the commission shall hold no more than 6 meetings to carry out its duties under this resolve.

1. During the first meeting of the commission, which must be convened no later than July 31, 2014, the commission shall review the duties established in section 5 with the Department of Education and the Education Research Institute staff assigned to staff the commission pursuant to section 9. The commission shall develop a work plan and timeline for the review of the required duties and related deliverables that the Department of Education and the Education Research Institute staff must prepare and present to the commission in accordance with the meetings scheduled in accordance with this section.

2. During a commission meeting scheduled during the month of October 2014, the commission shall review a progress report submitted by the Department of Education and

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1 the Education Research Institute staff of the required duties and related deliverables that
2 were included in the work plan developed by the commission.

3 3. The commission shall schedule up to 4 meetings during the month of November
4 2014 and no later than December 9, 2014. During these meetings, the commission shall
5 review the preliminary findings and recommendations prepared and submitted by the
6 Department of Education and the Education Research Institute staff regarding the
7 required duties and related deliverables that were included in the work plan developed by
8 the commission. The Department of Education and the Education Research Institute shall
9 submit their preliminary findings and recommendations to the commission no later than
10 November 1, 2014; and be it further'

11 Amend the resolve in section 7 in the 2nd line (page 5, line 35 in L.D.) by striking out
12 the following: "6" and inserting the following: "7"

13 Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 9 and inserting the following:

14 **'Sec. 9. Report; recommendations. Resolved:** That the Department of
15 Education and the Education Research Institute staff assigned to provide staffing
16 assistance to the commission pursuant to section 9 shall present a preliminary report,
17 including the results of the review conducted pursuant to section 5 and the related
18 deliverables included in the work plan established by the commission under section 6, to
19 the commission no later than November 1, 2014. The Department of Education and the
20 Education Research Institute staff assigned to provide staffing assistance to the
21 commission shall work with the commission to prepare a final report, including findings
22 and recommendations related to the results of the review required by this resolve, for
23 submission to the Legislature. The commission shall submit a report containing its
24 findings and recommendations pursuant to sections 5 and 6 of this resolve, including any
25 necessary implementing legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature
26 having jurisdiction over education and cultural affairs by December 9, 2014. The joint
27 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and cultural
28 affairs may submit a bill related to this report to the First Regular Session of the 127th
29 Legislature; and be it further'

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

32 SUMMARY

33 This amendment makes the following changes to the resolve:

34 1. It reduces the membership of the study commission from 18 members to 14
35 members; and

36 2. It provides that the commission is required to consider certain agenda items related
37 to the work plan and timeline for the review of certain cost components that the
38 commission is required to address during meetings to be scheduled in July, October,
39 November and December 2014 prior to the commission submitting its final report to the

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1 joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education and
2 cultural affairs by December 9, 2014.

3 **SPONSORED BY:** _____

4 **(Senator MILLETT)**

5 **COUNTY: Cumberland**