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## An Act To Adjust the School Funding Formula with Regard to Unorganized Territories

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §3252, sub-§4**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1985, c. 490, §3, is amended to read:

**4. Tuition.** The commissioner shall pay tuition for each tuition student in the amount approved as the receiving administrative unit's official tuition cost pursuant to section 5804 or 7302 ~~in an amount agreed upon between the commissioner and the school board of the unit.~~

**Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §3253-A, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 1985, c. 603, §1 and PL 2005, c. 397, Pt. D, §3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**3. Tuition.** Notwithstanding section 5805, subsection 2 and section 5809, the commissioner shall pay tuition for each tuition student in an amount equal to the official tuition rate approved pursuant to section 5805, subsection 1 for the receiving school for nonresident students enrolled in secondary schools or special education or career and technical education programs as long as the student maintains a satisfactory standard of deportment and scholarship. The commissioner shall pay tuition for each tuition student in an amount equal to the official tuition rate approved pursuant to section 7302 for the receiving school for nonresident students enrolled in special education programs, as long as the student maintains a satisfactory standard of deportment and scholarship.

**Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

### EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF Education in Unorganized Territory 0220

Initiative: Provides funds for the increase in the tuition rates authorized to pay to receiving school administrative units on behalf of tuition students from the unorganized territories.

GENERAL FUND	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$305,768	\$321,057
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$305,768	\$321,057

Effective September 20, 2007