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

'An Act To Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services To Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2009-10 and To Make Other Changes Related to the Municipal Cost Components'

Amend the bill by inserting before section 1 the following:

'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §246, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2007, c. 636, §2, is further amended to read:

3. Legislation. The fiscal administrator shall prepare and submit legislation to the Legislature by March 1st, annually, providing for the requests made by counties and state agencies for services provided in the unorganized territory that are entitled to funding under Title 36, chapter 115. ~~Legislation submitted pursuant to this subsection must also include a notation as to any tax enhancement programs that have been approved by the county commissioners.~~ The administrator may not reject or change a budget submitted by a county or state agency without the approval of the county or agency making the request.'

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 1 and 2 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Municipal cost components for services rendered. In accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, chapter 115, the Legislature determines that the net municipal cost component for services and reimbursements to be rendered in fiscal year 2009-10 is as follows:

Audit - Fiscal Administration	\$206,711
Education	13,856,450
Forest Fire Protection	160,000
Human Services - General Assistance	59,000
Property Tax Assessment - Operations	824,349
Maine Land Use Regulation Commission - Operations	487,977
TOTAL STATE AGENCIES	\$15,594,486
County Reimbursements for Services:	
Aroostook	\$885,417
Franklin	564,825
Hancock	154,505
Kennebec	872
Oxford	480,525
Penobscot	885,380
Piscataquis	1,389,350
Somerset	888,306
Washington	762,597
TOTAL COUNTY SERVICES	\$6,011,777
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	\$21,606,264

COMPUTATION OF ASSESSMENT	
Requirements	\$21,606,264
Less Deductions:	
General -	
State Revenue Sharing	\$265,000
Homestead Reimbursement	100,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	50,000
TOTAL	\$415,000
Educational -	
Land Reserved Trust	\$80,000
Tuition/Travel	250,000
Miscellaneous	5,000
Special - Teacher Retirement	200,000
TOTAL	\$535,000
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	\$950,000
TAX ASSESSMENT	\$20,656,264

Sec. 2. Increase in growth limitation. Pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 1611, subsection 3, paragraph B, the Legislature intends by this Act to exceed the municipal cost component growth limitation for the state component by \$1,475,109 and to increase the municipal cost component growth limitation for the state component by the remainder of the amount provided in this Act.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment increases the municipal cost components for education and the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission - Operations to account for changes made in other legislation. The amendment also expresses the intent of the Legislature to extend the growth limitation for the state component of the municipal cost component by \$1,475,109 and to increase the growth limitation for the state component of the municipal cost component by the remainder required. In addition, this amendment strikes from the bill the notation regarding approved tax enhancement programs and eliminates the language in the statutes that requires such notations.