COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “      ” to H.P. 95, L.D. 154, “An Act Regarding Special Education Funding for So-called Minimum Receiver School Administration Units”

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

'Sec. 2.  20-A MRSA §15689, sub-§1, ¶B, as amended by PL 2017, c. 284, Pt. C, §50, is further amended by amending subparagraph (16) to read:

(16) In fiscal year 2020-21 and succeeding years in each fiscal year prior to fiscal year 2024-25, 50%; and'

Amend the bill in section 3 in subparagraph (17) in the first line (page 1, line 10 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "2022-23" and inserting the following: "2024-25"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 4.

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

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, provides that, beginning in fiscal year 2024-25, instead of fiscal year 2022-23 as proposed in the bill, the minimum state share of a school administrative unit’s special education costs under the essential programs and services school funding formula must be 55%.

The amendment also removes from the bill the requirement that the Department of Education review and report on minimum receivers under the funding formula.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)