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PUBLIC LAW

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN

H.P. 53 - L.D. 61

An Act To Amend Standards for Participation in Certain Public School Services by Students Who Are Homeschooled

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

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4772-B is enacted to read:

§4772-B. Students receiving homeschool instruction

A student is eligible to receive a state subsidy for postsecondary courses, as specified in section 4775, if the student is receiving home instruction in a program that meets the requirements of section 5001-A, subsection 3, paragraph A, subparagraph (4) and the eligible institution:

- 1. Space available. Has space available for the student;
- 2. Course prerequisites. Has determined that the student has satisfactorily completed all course prerequisites; and
- 3. Academic fitness. Reviews all requested evidence of the student's academic fitness and gives its approval for the student to take the requested course or courses.

A student who meets the requirements of this section is eligible to participate in postsecondary courses at an eligible institution under this section, subject to the requirements and conditions of sections 4774 to 4776. Notwithstanding section 15672, subsection 32, a student described in this section is considered to be a subsidizable pupil for purposes of receiving the subsidy provided in this chapter.

Sec. 2. Application of postsecondary course enrollment and subsidy provisions. A student in a home instruction program is eligible for the subsidy for postsecondary enrollment, as provided in this Act, for the entire 2013-2014 school year, as long as the student enrolls in the course after July 1, 2013 and the student otherwise meets the eligibility criteria.