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

**'Resolve, To Review the Laws Governing the  
Funding of Virtual Public Charter Schools'**

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1 Per-pupil allocation for students enrolled in virtual public charter schools. Resolved:** That the Department of Education, in consultation with the Maine Charter School Commission, shall review the funding provisions established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 2413 related to determining the per-pupil allocation amount necessary for the costs of operating virtual public charter schools and validating the appropriate amount of funding for operating costs that should be provided for students enrolled in virtual public charter schools. The Commissioner of Education shall submit a report, including findings and recommendations, on the review of the operating costs and appropriate per-pupil funding amount for students enrolled in virtual public charter schools to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs by January 10, 2014. The joint standing committee may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.'

## **SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, strikes the bill and replaces it with a resolve that directs the Department of Education, in consultation with the Maine Charter School Commission, to review funding provisions related to determining the per-pupil allocation amount necessary for the costs of operating virtual public charter schools and validating the appropriate amount of operating costs that should be provided for students enrolled in virtual public charter schools and report the results of its review to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, which is authorized to report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
**(See attached)**