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In Senate, April 13, 2011

**An Act To Require Voter Validation for a School Administrative
Unit To Retain Ownership of a School No Longer Used Primarily
for Classroom Education**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the on [committee name] suggested and ordered printed.

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JOSEPH G. CARLETON, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo.
Cosponsored by Representative CUSHING of Hampden and
Senator: LANGLEY of Hancock, Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, CURTIS of Madison,
DAVIS of Sangerville.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4105** is enacted to read:

3 **§4105. School buildings used for purposes other than instruction**

4 If a school administrative unit intends to retain a school building that is no longer
5 being used for the instruction of students, the school administrative unit shall obtain prior
6 voter approval pursuant to the provisions of section 4102, subsection 4, paragraphs A and
7 B. The article to be voted on must be substantially in the following form:

8 "Article: Do you favor authorizing the school committee of
9 (name of town) (the board of directors of School
10 Administrative Unit No.) to use
11 (name of school building) for (specific purpose)
12 rather than the instruction of students?

13 Yes No"

14 **SUMMARY**

15 This bill requires voter approval for a school administrative unit to retain a school
16 building for a purpose other than the instruction of students.