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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1409, L.D. 1965, Bill, “An Act To Set a Minimum Wage for School Support Staff”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §4014** is enacted to read:

**§4014. Minimum wage for school support staff**

**1. Minimum wage.** For the school year starting after June 30, 2022, and in each subsequent school year, the minimum hourly wage for school support staff is \$16 per hour. For the purposes of this section, "school support staff" means a public school employee who is not an administrator, as defined in section 13001-A, subsection 1, or a certified teacher subject to the minimum salary requirement pursuant to section 13407.

**Sec. 2. State contribution.** For the school year starting after June 30, 2022 only, notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 606-B, the State shall provide 100% of the additional funding necessary to achieve the minimum hourly wage for school support staff established under Title 20-A, section 4014. The Department of Education shall determine the additional funding necessary to achieve the minimum hourly wage for school support staff for each school administrative unit through the collection of data from school administrative units. A school administrative unit shall provide to the Department of Education on or before October 1, 2021 the current wage per hour paid to school support staff eligible for the minimum wage established in Title 20-A, section 4014.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill. Like the bill it establishes a minimum hourly wage of \$16 per hour for school support staff; the amendment applies the requirement for school years beginning after June 30, 2022. On a one-time basis, for the school year beginning after June 30, 2022, the amendment requires the State to provide funds to school administrative units to make up the difference between what a school

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1 administrative unit currently pays school support staff and what the unit is required to pay  
2 under the minimum wage requirement.

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**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

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**(See attached)**