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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 98, L.D. 358, Bill, “An Act To Fully Fund Career and Technical Education for Fiscal Year 2018-19”

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

'An Act To Increase Funding for Career and Technical Education for Fiscal Year 2019-20'

Amend the bill in the emergency preamble in the 2nd paragraph in the 3rd line (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "2018-19" and inserting the following: '2019-20'

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

'Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §15688-A, sub-§1, as repealed and replaced by PL 2017, c. 420, §8, is amended to read:

1. Career and technical education program components. Beginning in fiscal year 2018-19, the allocation for career and technical education centers and career and technical education regions is based upon a model that recognizes program components that have been approved by the department pursuant to chapter 313 for:

A. Direct instruction. The direct instruction component includes personnel costs for teachers, education technicians for programs and clinical supervisors for health care programs. The allocation for direct instruction is the sum of the costs as determined based on the following components, which the commissioner shall determine annually:

(1) A teacher salary matrix. In determining the teacher salary matrix for each program, the commissioner shall give consideration to the most recent available data regarding years of education experience and years of professional work experience relevant to instructional assignment;

(2) Student-to-teacher ratios for each program;

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1 (3) The number of education technicians required for purposes of instructional
2 support, based on student enrollment and program requirements. The
3 commissioner shall calculate the education technician allocation by multiplying
4 the number of education technicians required by the statewide average salary for
5 full-time education technicians, based on the most recent available salary data,
6 but shall ensure that each career and technical education center or career and
7 technical education region is allocated at least one full-time education technician;
8 and

9 (4) The clinical supervision staffing level necessary for each program requiring
10 such staffing, based on student enrollment as determined pursuant to paragraph
11 G;

12 B. Central administration. The central administration component includes personnel
13 costs for directors, assistant directors and clerical staff working in career and
14 technical education centers and career and technical education regions, as well as
15 business managers working in career and technical education regions. The central
16 administration allocation is the sum of:

17 (1) Costs for personnel for each career and technical education center and career
18 and technical education region, as follows:

19 (a) A director, the allocation for which must be for one full-time equivalent;

20 (b) An assistant director, the allocation for which must be based on student
21 enrollment as determined pursuant to paragraph G but may not exceed one
22 full-time equivalent;

23 (c) Clerical staff, the allocation for which must be for at least one full-time
24 equivalent, with additional clerical staff allocations based on student
25 enrollment as determined pursuant to paragraph G;

26 (d) A career and technical education region business manager, the allocation
27 for which must be for one full-time equivalent; and

28 (e) Benefit costs for employees in central administration, which must be
29 calculated pursuant to section 15678, subsection 5, paragraph B; and

30 (2) Nonpersonnel costs, which the commissioner shall calculate annually based
31 upon the relationship of the most recent available career and technical education
32 expenditures for nonpersonnel costs to personnel costs;

33 C. Supplies and other expenditures such as purchased services, dues and fees for
34 instructional programs. The allocation for supplies and other expenditures is the sum
35 of:

36 (1) A per-program allocation for supplies, as determined by the commissioner
37 based on the most recent available career and technical education expenditures
38 amount, adjusted to the year prior to the allocation year; and

1 (2) A per-pupil allocation for each student in each career and technical education
2 center and each career and technical education region, determined by the
3 commissioner based on:

4 (a) The most recent available career and technical education expenditures
5 amount, adjusted for inflation to the year prior to the allocation year; and

6 (b) Student enrollment, as determined pursuant to paragraph G;

7 D. Plant operation and maintenance, including all costs for operating and
8 maintaining buildings and grounds. The commissioner shall determine the allocation
9 for plant operation and maintenance costs for each career and technical education
10 center and each career and technical education region by multiplying the square
11 footage of the career and technical education center or career and technical education
12 region building by an amount per square foot, as determined by the commissioner;

13 E. Other student and staff support, which includes costs for student services
14 coordination, career preparation, instructional technology, professional development,
15 student assessment and program safety. The other student and staff support
16 allocation is the sum of the costs for:

17 (1) A counselor, the allocation for which must be for one full-time equivalent, to
18 collaborate with sending school guidance counselors in order to maximize
19 student participation at the middle school and high school grade levels;

20 (2) Career and technical education center or career and technical education
21 region student services coordinators, the allocation for which must be based on
22 student enrollment, as determined pursuant to paragraph G, but no less than one
23 full-time equivalent;

24 (3) Benefit costs for employees under this paragraph, calculated pursuant to
25 section 15678, subsection 5, paragraph B; and

26 (4) Instructional technology, staff professional development, student assessment
27 and program safety. The commissioner shall calculate a per-pupil allocation for
28 this allocation based upon student enrollment, as determined pursuant to
29 paragraph G, and the relationship of the most recent available career and
30 technical education expenditures for these costs to total costs, adjusted to the year
31 prior to the allocation year;

32 F. Equipment provided pursuant to subsection 6; and

33 G. Student enrollment, which is determined as follows.

34 (1) For each program or plan approved pursuant to chapter 313 that has 3 years
35 of attending student counts on October 1st, student enrollment is a 3-year average
36 of the attending student counts on October 1st for that program or plan.

37 (2) For each program or plan approved pursuant to chapter 313 that is not
38 governed by subparagraph (1), including a new program or plan approved
39 pursuant to chapter 313, student enrollment must be based on the estimated
40 attending student count submitted in accordance with the application for the
41 program or plan approval. This estimated attending student count must be used

1 until the program or plan has 3 consecutive years of actual attending student
2 counts on October 1st.

3 The total allocation for a career and technical education center or career and technical
4 education region is the sum of the components in paragraphs A to E, except if the sum of
5 the components in paragraphs A to E is less than the most recent expenditure data, as
6 adjusted for inflation to the year prior to the allocation year, the career and technical
7 education center or career and technical education region may not receive less than the
8 adjusted expenditure, and if the sum of the components in paragraphs A to E is more than
9 ~~5%~~ 15% greater than the most recent expenditure data, as adjusted for inflation to the
10 year prior to the allocation year, then the career and technical education center or career
11 and technical education region may not receive more than the adjusted expenditures plus
12 ~~5%~~ 15%.

13 The commissioner shall authorize monthly payment of allocations to career and technical
14 education centers and career and technical education regions in an amount equal to 1/12
15 of the total allocation. Payments for satellite programs as approved pursuant to chapter
16 313 must be made within this schedule to the responsible career and technical education
17 center or career and technical education region; it is the responsibility of the career and
18 technical education center or career and technical education region to provide the state
19 support for the approved satellite program to the school administrative unit that operates
20 the approved satellite program.

21 If a school administrative unit operating a career and technical education center or career
22 and technical education region has any unexpended funds at the end of the fiscal year,
23 these funds must be carried forward for the purposes of career and technical education.

24 **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
25 allocations are made.

26 **EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF**

27 **General Purpose Aid for Local Schools 0308**

28 Initiative: Provides funding to increase the cap on the total allocation for a career and
29 technical education center or a career and technical education region whose sum of the
30 program components pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section
31 15688-A, subsection 1 is greater than the most recent expenditure data, as adjusted for
32 inflation to the year prior to the allocation year, from 5% to 15%.

33	GENERAL FUND	2019-20	2020-21
34	All Other	\$1,556,944	\$0
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36	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$1,556,944</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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38 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
39 section number to read consecutively.

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SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, strikes and replaces the bill and raises the cap on the career and technical education funding formula provision regarding the allocation for career and technical education centers or regions for which the sum of the program components is greater than the most recent expenditure data, as adjusted for inflation to the year prior to the allocation year, from 5% to 15%. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)