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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
129TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 613, L.D. 1815, Bill, “An Act To Provide Funds To Continue the Statewide Online Advanced Placement Course Program Provided by the Department of Education in Partnership with the University of Maine at Fort Kent”

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

**'An Act To Provide Funds to the University of Maine System to Continue the Statewide Online Advanced Placement Course Program'**

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

**'Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** the current contract for the statewide online advanced placement course program expires on June 30, 2019; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §10910** is enacted to read:

**§10910. Report on a statewide online advanced placement course program**

By February 15, 2020, and annually thereafter, the university shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on the status of a statewide online advanced placement course program. The report must include, but is not limited to, whether the program is meeting its goals, measures of student success, the number of students accessing support through the university, if any,

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1 and the number of students participating in the program and their levels of success and  
2 how those levels of success compare to national standards.

3 **Sec. 2. Contract.** No later than July 1, 2019, the University of Maine System shall  
4 contract with the national governing body of the advanced placement course program, the  
5 College Board, to continue the statewide online advanced placement course program for  
6 the 2019-2020 school year.

7 **Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and  
8 allocations are made.

9 **UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE**  
10 **Educational and General Activities - UMS 0031**

11 Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to continue the statewide online advanced placement  
12 course program.

13	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>
14	All Other	\$150,000	\$150,000
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16	<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<u>\$150,000</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>

17 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this  
18 legislation takes effect when approved.'

19 **SUMMARY**

20 This amendment transfers the administration of the statewide online advanced  
21 placement course program from the Department of Education in partnership with the  
22 University of Maine at Fort Kent to solely the University of Maine System. Accordingly,  
23 the amendment provides ongoing funds to continue the statewide online advanced  
24 placement program to the University of Maine System, instead of the Department of  
25 Education, and directs the University of Maine System to contract with the national  
26 governing body of the advanced placement course program, the College Board, to  
27 continue the program for the 2019-2020 school year. The amendment also requires the  
28 University of Maine System to submit annual reports to the joint standing committee of  
29 the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on the status of the statewide  
30 online advanced placement course program.

31 This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause and adds an  
32 appropriations and allocations section.

33 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

34 **(See attached)**