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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 231, L.D. 307, Bill, "An Act To Limit the Number of Charter Schools in Maine"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §2405, sub-§10 is enacted to read:

10. Limit on number of public charter schools. No more than 10 public charter schools may operate at any time. Any time the cap is reached, the commissioner may not accept further registrations from the commission or from local school boards and collaboratives of local school boards.

Sec. 3. Public charter school charter revocation and nonrenewal. The Maine Charter School Commission shall develop a process for the revocation or nonrenewal of a public charter school's charter for public charter schools that are not meeting required performance framework provisions and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, no later than January 1, 2020, on the recommended process and submit any suggested legislation to implement the process to revoke or not renew a public charter school's charter.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, caps the total number of public charter schools in the state to 10 public charter schools, regardless of whether the public charter school is authorized by the commission or by local school boards or collaboratives of local school boards.

This amendment also directs the Maine Charter School Commission to develop a process for the revocation or nonrenewal of a public charter school's charter for public charter schools that are not meeting required performance framework provisions and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, no later than

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)