

Draft policy regarding the exercise of the Commission's funding per Title 20-A, chapter 112, sec. 2405.5.B

The Maine Charter School Commission is allowed by law to charge each authorized charter school up to 3% of its annual per-pupil allocation to cover the Commission's costs for school oversight. These are the only specific funds available to the Commission for this purpose (Title 20-A, chapter 112, sec. 2401.2). The Commission appreciates its need to have sufficient revenue to effectively meet its responsibilities as defined by law. It also understands, and is sensitive to, the fact that its funding is drawn from revenue allocated to its schools for educational services. It will, therefore, assume a flexible approach to the 3% draw down, annually assessing the Commission's oversight and funding needs, with an eye to ensuring that its schools receive as much of their per-pupil allocation as possible.

#### Legal references

Title 20-A, chapter 112, sec 2041.2

Title 20-A, chapter 112, sec 2405.5.B