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# 126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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No. 371

S.P. 151

In Senate, February 12, 2013

**Resolve, Regarding Revenue from the World Acadian Congress  
Commemorative Registration Plate**

(EMERGENCY)

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Submitted by the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 204.  
Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator JACKSON of Aroostook.  
Cosponsored by Representative THERIAULT of Madawaska and  
Representatives: AYOTTE of Caswell, McELWEE of Caribou, McLEAN of Gorham,  
PEOPLES of Westbrook, POWERS of Naples, SAUCIER of Presque Isle, TURNER of  
Burlington, WILLETTE of Mapleton.

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

3 **Whereas,** Resolve 2011, chapter 156 authorized the Secretary of State to issue a  
4 commemorative, simulated registration plate in recognition and celebration of the 2014  
5 World Acadian Congress; and

6 **Whereas,** pursuant to Resolve 2011, chapter 156, \$16 of the \$25 fee is incorrectly  
7 designated for the benefit of the Maine Acadian Heritage Council; and

8 **Whereas,** the fiscal agent for the Maine Acadian Heritage Council is the World  
9 Acadian Congress; and

10 **Whereas,** the plates have been available for sale since December 2012; and

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

15 **Sec. 1. Resolve 2011, c. 156, §2, amended. Resolved:** That Resolve 2011, c.  
16 156, §2 is amended to read:

17 **Sec. 2. Administrative fee; distribution. Resolved:** That the Secretary of  
18 State shall develop a plan for the sale and distribution of World Acadian Congress  
19 commemorative plates. The fee for the World Acadian Congress commemorative plate is  
20 \$25, which must be ~~deposited in a special fund and transferred quarterly by the Treasurer~~  
21 ~~of State~~ paid as follows:

22 1. Nine dollars per plate to the Secretary of State for the costs associated with  
23 production and issuance of the plates; and

24 2. Sixteen dollars per plate to ~~the Maine Acadian Heritage Council~~ be retained by the  
25 World Acadian Congress; and be it further

26 ; and be it further

27 **Sec. 2. Retroactivity. Resolved:** That that section of this resolve that amends  
28 Resolve 2011, chapter 156, section 2 applies retroactively to August 30, 2012.

29 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this  
30 legislation takes effect when approved.

31 **SUMMARY**

32 This resolve amends Resolve 2011, chapter 156, which authorized the sale of World  
33 Acadian Congress commemorative simulated registration plates, to provide the correct  
34 fiscal agent for the entity that is the beneficiary of the revenue, less costs, from the sale of

1 the plates. Because the plates have been on sale since December 2012, the change in the  
2 name is made retroactive to the effective date of the authorizing resolve.