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CHAPTER 141
H.P. 1319 - L.D. 1975

**Resolve, Directing the Maine
Connectivity Authority to
Develop Recommendations to
Transition Functions
Performed by the
ConnectMaine Authority to the
Maine Connectivity Authority**

Sec. 1. Maine Connectivity Authority; statutory review; report. Resolved: That the Maine Connectivity Authority established under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 9404, in consultation with the ConnectMaine Authority established under Title 35-A, section 9203, shall review the provisions of Title 35-A, chapter 93 and develop recommendations for any legislative changes necessary to transition functions performed by the ConnectMaine Authority to the Maine Connectivity Authority by October 1, 2027. On or before January 15, 2027, the Maine Connectivity Authority shall submit a report containing the recommendations resulting from that review, including any proposed legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over energy, utilities and technology matters. After reviewing the report, the joint standing committee may report out a bill related to the Maine Connectivity Authority's recommendations to the 133rd Legislature in 2027.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 142
S.P. 885 - L.D. 2181

**Resolve, to Rename a Bridge in
Roxbury the Roxbury-Frye
Veterans Memorial Bridge**

Sec. 1. Bridge in Roxbury renamed. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation shall designate Bridge 2300 on Frye Crossover Road in the Town of Roxbury, currently known as the Frye Bridge, the Roxbury-Frye Veterans Memorial Bridge.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 143
S.P. 887 - L.D. 2183

**Resolve, to Rename the Little
River Bridge in the Town of
Cornish the Cornish Veterans
Memorial Bridge**

Sec. 1. Bridge in Cornish renamed. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation shall

designate Bridge 2465 on Maple Street in the Town of Cornish, currently known as the Little River Bridge, the Cornish Veterans Memorial Bridge.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 144
H.P. 1370 - L.D. 2040

**Resolve, to Study Food
Insecurity Measures in Maine**

Sec. 1. Assessment and evaluation of food insecurity measures in State. Resolved: That, in view of the fact that the United States Department of Agriculture terminated its annual Household Food Security report, the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall study opportunities to assess and evaluate food insecurity measures in the State and the State's progress in its strategic plan to end hunger by 2030 under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 2, subsection 6. The commissioner shall seek input from the advisory committee established in Title 7, section 2, subsection 6, outside organizations and other state agencies as necessary in conducting the study. The commissioner may contract with external agencies to study feasible methods to measure and track food insecurity in the State over time, if sufficient funding has been provided for this purpose. This study may include reviewing existing measurements of disparities of food insecurity in target populations, including, but not limited to, those defined by age, geography, income, race and veteran status, as defined by federal and state policy. The study may include a gap analysis to identify missing or incomplete data sets. Results of the study must be published and made available on a publicly accessible website.

Sec. 2. Acceptance of funds for study. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may accept funds from any public or private source for the purposes of the study under section 1. Funds must be transferred into a separate, nonlapsing account, administered by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, for the purposes of this resolve and may not be used for any other purpose.

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That, no later than January 15, 2027, the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall submit a report to the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over agriculture, conservation and forestry matters; health and human services matters; and education and cultural affairs. The report must include the following:

1. A summary of issues or challenges encountered in conducting the study under section 1;