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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, to Provide for Regional Special Education Compacts.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and Resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, Camp Waban, a provider of special education services to children in York County, has recently closed; and

Whereas, authority is required for local education agencies in York County to coordinate their efforts to continue to provide special education services on a regional basis; and

Whereas, these services are needed immediately by certain children in York County; 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

Establishment of regional special education services. Resolved: That the local administrative units in York County are authorized to prepare a plan to provide special education services which are offered on a regional basis; and be it further

Resolved: That no programs of services on a regional basis shall be provided without the prior approval of the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services; and be it further

Resolved: That no construction of facilities is authorized as part of the provision of regional services under this resolve; and be it further

Resolved: That the local administrative units involved in providing services on a regional basis shall submit a report to the First Regular Session of the 109th Legislature, prior to January 15, 1979, which shall include a description of the provision of services under this resolve and an assessment of the need for any continuation of these services.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purposes of this amendment are to:

1. Authorize the provision of special education services in York County;
2. Require approval by the commissioner prior to the provision of any services;
3. Prohibit any construction of facilities in conjunction with services provided under this resolve; and
4. Require a report to the 109th Legislature in the development of regional services.