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1 2 3 4	(EMERGENCY) (After Deadline) FIRST REGULAR SESSION
5 6	ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE
7 8	Legislative Document No. 1129
9 10 11 12	H.P. 799 House of Representatives, March 26, 1985 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27. Reference to the Committee on State Government suggested and ordered printed.
13	Presented by Representative Drinkwater of Belfast.
14 1 5	STATE OF MAINE
16 17 18	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE
19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27	Resolve, Authorizing the Exchange by the Department of Defense and Veterans' Services of a Certain Parcel of Land in Belfast Fronting on Congress Street and Being Part of the Belfast Armory Lot for Another Parcel of Land to the Rear of Land Adjacent to the Armory with the City of Belfast.
28 29 30 31	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
32 33 34 35 36	Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after certain beneficial commitments for economic development between private industry and the City of Belfast will have expired before they can be consummated in contractual form; and

Whereas, after the expiration of the commitments, there will be no incentive for private industry to enter into the proposed contractual arrangements with the City of Belfast, which would be to the economic detriment of Waldo 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

Department of Defense and Veterans' Services; exchange of land in Belfast. Resolved: That the Department of Defense and Veterans' Services, Military Bureau, shall exchange with the City of Belfast a parcel of land fronting on Congress Street, being part of the Belfast Armory Lot, for another parcel of land to the rear and adjacent to the Belfast Armory so that the State shall convey to the City of Belfast as follows:

The rights of the State in:

"A certain lot or parcel of land together with any buildings thereon, situated on the southwesterly side of U. S. Route One, in Belfast, County of Waldo, State of Maine, and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning in the southwesterly boundary line of U.S. Route One as set forth and described in a Notice of Layout and Taking recorded in the Waldo County Registry of Deeds on August 30, 1961 in Book 590, Page 114, at a point which bears North 52 degrees, 6 minutes, 21 seconds West along said boundary line a distance of seven hundred fifty (750) feet from the westerly line of Congress Street, so-called, said point being on a line at right angles to the baseline of said highway at Station 56 & 18, said boundary line being shown on a Right of Way map thereof recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 4, Pages 72, 73, and 74;

Thence South 52 degrees, 6 minutes, 21 seconds East along the southwesterly boundary line of U.S.

Route One, as aforesaid, a distance of seven hundred fifty (750) feet to the westerly line of Congress Street, so-called, said point being on a line at right angles to the baseline of said highway at about Station 48 & 68:

Thence South 24 degrees, 45 minutes West along the westerly line of Congress Street, so-called, to the southeasterly corner of the Armory Lot, so-called, as conveyed to the State of Maine by deed of the City of Belfast dated July 1, 1940 and recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 411, Page 446;

Thence North 81 degrees, 45 minutes West along the southerly line of land so-conveyed a distance of seven hundred ten (710) feet to a point;

Thence northeasterly by a direct course to the point of beginning.

The above described lot or parcel of land contains approximately five (5) acres and is a portion of the same premises conveyed to the State of Maine by deed of the City of Belfast dated July 1, 1940 and recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 411, Page 446.

All bearings referred to herein are the result of magnetic observations and are taken from the various surveys of the boundaries referred to herein without reconciliation;" and be it further

Resolved: That the Military Bureau shall convey the above described parcel only on the condition that the City of Belfast conveys to the State, to be accepted by the Military Bureau, for no monetary consideration, any right the City of Belfast may now hold in the following parcel of land:

A certain lot or parcel of land, together with any buildings thereon, located in Belfast, County of Waldo, State of Maine, and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

"Beginning at the southwesterly corner of land conveyed to the State of Maine by deed of the City of Belfast dated July 1, 1940 and recorded in the Waldo

County Registry of Deeds in Book 411, Page 446, said land being the same upon which the Belfast Armory now stands;

Thence North 81 degrees, 45 minutes West along the westerly extension of the southerly line of land so-conveyed to a point two hundred fifty (250) feet northeasterly from the centerline of the present northwest-southeast runway of the Belfast Municipal Airport, when measured at right angles to said centerline:

Thence North 26 degrees, 15 minutes West along a line two hundred fifty (250) feet northeasterly from and parallel with the centerline of the present northwest-southeast runway of the Belfast Municipal Airport to the southerly line of land conveyed to the City of Belfast by warranty deed of Grace W. Knowlton dated January 2, 1945 and recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 438, Page 123;

Thence South 81 degrees, 28 minutes East along a stone wall marking the southerly line of land so-conveyed to the southwesterly corner of land conveyed to Priscilla S. Sanderson by quitclaim deed of Vance N. Adams dated April 30, 1940 and recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 430, Page 122, said corner being marked by the junction of two stone walls;

Thence continuing in a southeasterly direction along the southerly line of land so-conveyed to said Sanderson marked by said stone wall to the southwesterly boundary line of U. S. Route One as set forth and described in a Notice of Layout and Taking recorded in said Registry of Deeds on August 30, 1961 in Book 590, Page 114, said point being on a line normal to the baseline of said highway at about Station 64 & 80, said boundary line being shown on a Right of Way map thereof recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 4, Page 74;

Thence southeasterly along the southwesterly boundary line of U. S. Route One, as aforesaid, it being a curved line one hundred (100) feet southwesterly from and concentric with a one degree, 20 minute curve of the baseline of said highway, to a point on

a line at right angles to said baseline at P. C. Station 63 & 67.86;

 Thence continuing South 52 degrees, 6 minutes, 21 seconds East along the southwesterly boundary line of U. S. Route One, as aforesaid, to the westerly line of the Armory Lot, so-called, as conveyed to the State of Maine by deed of the City of Belfast, as aforesaid:

Thence South 14 degrees, 35 minutes West along the westerly line of the Armory Lot, so-called, to the point of beginning.

MEANING AND INTENDING hereby to describe and convey all of the premises situated westerly of and adjoining the Armory Lot, so-called, as conveyed to the State of Maine by deed of the City of Belfast, as aforesaid, as lies between the northerly and southerly lines thereof extended westerly to the building restriction line located two hundred fifty (250) feet northeasterly from and parallel with the northwest-southeast runway of the Belfast Municipal Airport.

The above-described lot or parcel of land being a portion of the same premises conveyed to the City of Belfast by warranty deed of Samuel Isaacson dated June 14, 1940 and recorded in said Registry of Deeds in Book 418, Page 413.

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING unto the Grantor, its successors, and assigns, the right to enter upon said premises hereinbefore described for all purposes necessary to maintain the rotating beacon light presently situated thereon, together with an easement in perpetuity for said beacon light, tower, wires, and such other appurtenances as necessary and incidental to the operation and maintenance of said beacon.

All bearings referred to herein are the result of magnetic observations and are taken from the various surveys of the boundaries referred to herein without reconciliation. Further reference may be had to a plan entitled, "Plan of Land Purchased for the Extension of North-South, East-West Runways, Belfast Airport," surveyed July 1944 and recorded in said Regis-

1 try of Deeds in Plan Book 2, Page 4."

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

A portion of the Belfast armory lot fronting on Congress Street is not useful as a military training area because it is immediately adjacent to traffic and with the position of the armory building on the lot, it is too small to be utilized for training exercises. If the Military Bureau were to exchange the front portion of the armory lot for a lot owned by the City of Belfast to the rear of and adjacent to the armory lot, the newly acquired land, combined with the retained land located behind the armory, may be more advantageously used as а military City of Belfast training site. Additionally, the would like to upgrade the proposed land to be veyed into its highest economic use as an industrial development site.

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