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STATE OF MAINE

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112TH LEGISLATURE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 813, L.D. 2045, "Resolve, Creating a Maine Commission to Commemorate the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution."

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Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the title and inserting in its place the following:

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'Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the emergency preamble and before the emergency clause and inserting in its place the following:

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'Commission established. Resolved: That there shall be established a commission to commemorate the bicentennial of the United States Constitution. The commission shall consist of 7 members appointed as follows: Two by the Governor; 2 by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court; one by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; one by the President of the Senate; and a chairman appointed jointly by the Governor, Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, Speaker of the House of Representatives and President of the Senate. The members shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses as provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12002-A, subsection 1. The commission shall advise the Office of the Bicentennial of the Constitution as set out in this resolve; and be it further

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Office of the Bicentennial of the Constitution. Resolved: That there shall be an Office of the Bicentennial of the Constitution, referred to in this resolve as "the office," within the Administrative Office of the Courts. The office shall continue in existence through December 31, 1987. The Administra-

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1 tive Office of the Courts may furnish clerical and
2 other support services to the office; and be it fur-
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4 Duties. Resolved: That the commission shall
5 prepare a project plan designed to interest and edu-
6 cate the public regarding our constitutional form of
7 government and coordinate with schools, scholars,
8 public service organizations, representatives of the
9 media, the judiciary, the Legislature and the Gover-
10 nor's office to see that both local and statewide ac-
11 tivities are planned and undertaken. The commission
12 is authorized to receive funds from any source, gov-
13 ernmental or private, and to disburse the same for
14 the purpose of carrying out its functions and in aid-
15 ing other governmental and nonprofit organizations to
16 commemorate the bicentennial of the United States
17 Constitution. The commission is also authorized to
18 cooperate as it deems appropriate with the Common-
19 wealth of Massachusetts or any appropriate governmen-
20 tal or nonprofit organization in that state in pro-
21 moting the celebration of the bicentennial of the
22 United States Constitution; and be it further

23 Report to Legislature. Resolved: That the commis-
24 sion, by January 30, 1988, shall report to the joint
25 standing committee of the Legislature having juris-
26 diction over State Government with respect to its in-
27 come of the office from all sources and detailed ex-
28 penditures of the office during the life of the of-
29 fice; and be it further

30 Appropriation. Resolved: That the sum of \$25,000
31 is appropriated from the General Fund to carry out
32 the purposes of the office. These funds shall not
33 lapse on June 30, 1986, but shall carry forward until
34 the purposes of the office have been achieved.' '

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This amendment makes the commission an advisory
3 commission and adjusts the appropriation and removes
4 the proposed project director position.

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(Sen. Pearson)

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