

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2136

S.P. 816 In Senate, January 25, 1988
Approved for Introduction by a Majority of the Legislative
Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.
Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and
ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President PRAY of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator DOW of Kennebec, Representative
MOHOLLAND of Princeton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-EIGHT

1 **RESOLVE, Establishing the Commission to Study**
2 **Secondary Transportation Corridors in Maine.**
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4 Commission established. Resolved: That the
5 Commission to Study Secondary Transportation Corridors
6 in Maine is established. The commission shall consist
7 of 9 members as follows: Three members shall be
8 appointed by the President of the Senate, including
9 one from the Joint Standing Committee on
10 Transportation, one from the Joint Standing Committee

1 on Economic Development and one from the general
2 public; 3 members shall be appointed by the Speaker
3 of the House, including one from the Joint Standing
4 Committee on Transportation, one from the Joint
5 Standing Committee on Economic Development and one
6 from the general public; and 3 members shall be
7 appointed by the Governor, including one from the
8 Department of Transportation, one from the Department
9 of Economic Development and one from the general
10 public; and be it further

11 **Recommendations. Resolved:** That the commission
12 shall make its recommendations to the First Regular
13 Session of the 114th Legislature by December 1, 1988;
14 and be it further

15 **Issues. Resolved:** That the commission shall
16 examine Route 9 between Calais and Bangor, the roads
17 from Searsport and Eastport leading to Route 9 and
18 other roads connecting with Route 9 along the stretch
19 between Bangor and Calais. The commission shall be
20 concerned with the adequacy of the road system as it
21 relates to the existing economic activity of the area,
22 the future economic development of the area, the needs
23 of commercial traffic and the safety of dual use of
24 the road system by commercial carriers and private
25 automobiles. The commission shall include an
26 assessment of the cost and feasibility of a major
27 upgrade of the roads in the system, especially Route
28 9; the issue of the acquisition of rights-of-way; the
29 environmental impact of any improvements on the road
30 system and the economic growth these improvements
31 might stimulate; and a cost benefit assessment of any
32 changes to the State, commercial activities and
33 property owners. The commission may examine other
34 factors related to issues outlined in this resolve;
35 and be it further

36 **First meeting. Resolved:** That the President of
37 the Senate shall call the first meeting within 30 days
38 of the appointment of the members; and be it further

39 **Chairman selected. Resolved:** That the
40 commission shall select a chairman from the membership
41 and adopt its own procedures; and be it further

1 Staff assistance. Resolved: That the
2 commission shall request from the Legislative Council
3 sufficient staff assistance to carry out these duties
4 and may receive and expend funds disbursed by an
5 agency of State Government to hire outside consultants
6 to conduct all or portions of the study; and be it
7 further

8 Reimbursement. Resolved: That the members of
9 the commission who are Legislators shall receive the
10 legislative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised
11 Statutes, Title 3, section 2, for days of attendance
12 at commission meetings. All members of the commission
13 shall receive expenses, as defined in the Maine
14 Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12002, upon
15 application to the Executive Director of the
16 Legislative Council for those expenses; and be it
17 further

18 Appropriation. Resolved: That the following
19 funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry
20 out the purposes of this resolve.

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23 Commission to Study
24 Secondary Transportation
25 Corridors in Maine

26	Personal Services	\$2,200
27	All Other	<u>7,000</u>
28	Total	<u>\$9,200</u>

29 Provides funds for the
30 per diem, travel,
31 printing and
32 miscellaneous expenses
33 of the commission. No
34 funds are provided for
35 consulting services.

STATEMENT OF FACT

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- 2 This resolve establishes a commission to study
- 3 Route 9 from Calais to Bangor and its connecting roads.

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