

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION - 1989

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No. 234

H.P. 169

House of Representatives, February 16, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative ROLDE of York.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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**Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Study Route 1 in Southern  
Maine.**

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(EMERGENCY)



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

5           Whereas, growth and other factors have already created  
traffic congestion and other problems in the Route 1 corridor; and  
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9           Whereas, a comprehensive study has not been done recently;  
and

11           Whereas, it is necessary for this study to begin promptly in  
order to be completed by March 1990; and  
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15           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  
17 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and  
safety; now, therefore, be it  
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21           **Commission established. Resolved:** That the Commission to  
Study Route 1 in Southern Maine is established; and be it further

23           **Membership. Resolved:** That the commission shall consist of  
21 members as follows: Six members shall be appointed by the  
25 President of the Senate, including 2 Senators from the study  
area, 2 municipal officials from the study area and 2 members of  
27 the general public including at least one from the study area; 6  
members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House, including  
29 2 members of the House of Representatives from the study area, 2  
municipal officials from the study area and 2 members of the  
31 general public including at least one from the study area; 5  
members shall be appointed by the Governor, including 2 officials  
33 from regional planning commissions serving the study area and 3  
members from the general public including at least one from the  
35 study area; and 4 agency members shall be designated, including  
the Commissioner of Transportation, the Commissioner of  
37 Environmental Protection, the Executive Director of the Maine  
Turnpike Authority and the Director of the State Planning Office  
39 or their designees; and be it further

41           **Study. Resolved:** That the commission study the overall  
problems of Route 1 from Kittery to South Portland, with special  
43 attention to present and projected traffic flow, safety and  
availability of connecting roads, as well as the needs of the  
45 tourist industry, commuters and other identifiable groups of  
users. The commission shall consider the relationship between  
47 Route 1 and the Maine Turnpike before and after the planned  
expansion of the turnpike. The commission shall invite municipal  
49 officials and other concerned parties from the Route 1 corridor  
to present testimony concerning problems in their communities.  
51 The commission shall also consider feasible improvements to Route  
1 and review the costs, benefits, environmental impact and

1 economic growth impact of those improvements. The commission may  
2 examine other factors related to Route 1 in southern Maine; and  
3 be it further

5 **Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall report its  
6 findings and recommendations together with any necessary  
7 implementing legislation to the Second Regular Session of the  
8 114th Legislature by March 1, 1990; and be it further

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10 **Appointment; compensation. Resolved:** That all appointments  
11 shall be made within 30 days of the effective date of this  
12 resolve. The Chair of the Legislative Council shall call the  
13 first meeting of the commission. The commission shall select a  
14 member as chair; and be it further

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16 **Staff assistance. Resolved:** That the commission shall hire  
17 staff to assist in the study and may also receive and expend  
18 funds from an agency of State Government to hire additional  
19 consultants to assist in the study; and be it further

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21 **Compensation. Resolved:** That the members of the commission  
22 who are Legislators shall receive the legislative per diem, as  
23 specified in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2, for  
24 days of actual attendance at commission meetings. All members  
25 shall receive expenses, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes,  
26 Title 5, section 12002, upon application to the Executive  
27 Director of the Legislative Council; and be it further

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29 **Appropriation. Resolved:** That the following funds are  
30 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of  
31 this resolve. Unexpended funds may be carried forward to fiscal  
32 year 1990-91 and expended for the purposes of this resolve.

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35 **1989-90**

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37 **Commission to Study Route 1 in Southern Maine**

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Personal Services	\$1,760
All Other	39,900

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43 Provides funds for the per diem, travel,  
44 printing and miscellaneous expenses of the  
45 Commission to Study Route 1 in Southern  
46 Maine. Funds are provided for consulting  
47 services up to a limit of \$30,000.

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49 **LEGISLATURE  
TOTAL**

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\$41,660

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

5                               **STATEMENT OF FACT**

7           This resolve establishes the Commission to Study Route 1 in  
9 Southern Maine, from Kittery to South Portland, with a report to  
the Legislature by March 1, 1990.