

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION - 1989

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No. 1221

H.P. 878

House of Representatives, April 18, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture suggested and ordered printed.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative TARDY of Palmyra.

Cosponsored by Representative NUTTING of Leeds, Representative HUSSEY of Milo and Senator TWITCHELL of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**Resolve, to Assess the Needs of the Equine Industry and to Establish a
Commission to Study the Creation of a Statewide Horse Council.**



1 **Needs assessment. Resolved:** That the University of Maine
2 System, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, shall
3 conduct a needs assessment of the horse-related industries in the
4 State; and be it further

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6 **Results. Resolved:** That the results of the needs assessment
7 shall be submitted to the joint standing committee of the
8 Legislature having jurisdiction over agriculture matters no later
9 than December 1, 1989; and be it further

11 **Commission established. Resolved:** That there is established
12 the Commission to Study the Creation of a State Horse Council;
13 and be it further

15 **Membership. Resolved:** That the commission shall consist of
16 9 members as follows: Three members shall be appointed by the
17 President of the Senate, including 2 Senators and one member of
18 the general public who has an interest in horses or horse-related
19 industries; 3 members to be appointed by the Speaker of the House
20 of Representatives, including 2 members of the House of
21 Representatives and one member of the general public who has an
22 interest in horses or horse-related industries; and 3 members of
23 the general public, to be appointed by the Governor, who have
24 interests in horses or horse-related industries; and be it further
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27 **Study. Resolved:** That the commission prepare a plan for the
28 creation of a statewide horse council. In developing this plan,
29 the commission shall consider the common interests of the State's
30 equine industries, the means of communication within the
31 industries, and the importance of monitoring legislation and
32 administrative decisions that have an impact on those industries
33 and on horse-related activities. The commission shall invite
34 concerned members of the public to present testimony concerning
35 these matters; and be it further

37 **Convening the commission. Resolved:** That all appointments
38 will be made within 30 days of the effective date of this
39 resolve. The Governor shall call the first meeting of the
40 commission. At the first meeting, the members shall elect a
41 chair and other officers; and be it further

43 **Staff; compensation. Resolved:** That the commission shall
44 request necessary staff assistance from the Legislative Council.
45 The members of the commission who are Legislators shall receive
46 the legislative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised
47 Statutes, Title 3, section 2, for days in attendance at
48 commission meetings. All members of the commission shall receive
49 reimbursement for expenses upon application to the Legislative
50 Council; and be it further

51 **Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall submit its
52 report, together with any necessary implementing legislation, to

1 the joint standing committee of the Legislature having
jurisdiction over agriculture matters no later than December 1,
3 1989; and be it further

5 **Appropriation. Resolved:** That the following funds are
appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
7 this resolve.

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13 **Study Commissions - Funding**

15	Personal Services	\$1,100
	All Other	4,550

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19 Provides funds for per diem, meeting and
related expenses of the Commission to Study
the Creation of a State Horse Council.

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TOTAL

\$5,650

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STATEMENT OF FACT

29 This resolve provides funds to the University of Maine
System to conduct a needs assessment of the various horse-related
31 industries in the State. The resolve also establishes the
Commission to Study the Creation of a State Horse Council.