

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION - 1990

Legislative Document

No. 1832

S.P. 694

In Senate, December 8, 1989

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 8, 1989. Referred to the Committee on Banking and Insurance and 1,600 ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President PRAY of Penobscot.

Cosponsored by Senator THERIAULT of Aroostook, Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec and Representative ALLEN of Washington.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

Resolve, to Investigate the Formation of an Interstate Insurance Compact .

(EMERGENCY)

A simple line drawing of the state of Maine, showing its characteristic shape with a large northern peninsula and a smaller southern peninsula.

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

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Whereas, the cost of insurance continues to rise; and

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Whereas, there have been several instances when insurers
have threatened to pull their services out of the State
altogether; and

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Whereas, municipalities have found some relief from rising
insurance rates by the establishment of insurance pools; and

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Whereas, many Maine citizens and businesses have expressed
concern about the continual rise in the cost of insurance; and

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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

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Sec. 1. Investigation. Resolved: That the Commission on
Interstate Cooperation established by the Maine Revised Statutes,
Title 3, section 201, shall investigate the possibility of Maine
joining with other states in an interstate insurance compact for
the purposes of cost reduction and formulation of compact-wide
agreements related to insurance retention; and be it further

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Sec. 2. Meetings. Resolved: That the Commission on Interstate
Cooperation shall meet no later than 30 days following the
enactment of this resolve to develop and implement a plan for
contacting other states, assessing the possibility and interest
in forming an insurance compact and formulating the terms of such
an agreement; and be it further

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Sec. 3. Staff assistance. Resolved: That, if staff assistance is
desired, the commission may request necessary staff assistance
from the Legislative Council; and be it further

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Sec. 4. Report. Resolved: That the commission shall submit a
final report, together with any necessary implementing
legislation, to the First Regular Session of the 115th
Legislature by December 1, 1990; and be it further

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

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Study Commission - Funding

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Personal Services

\$4,000

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All Other

10,500

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Provides funds for legislative per diem,
meetings and related expenses of the
Commission on Interstate Cooperation.

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TOTAL

\$14,500

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

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This resolve requires that the Commission on Interstate
Cooperation investigate the possibility of Maine joining with
other states in forming an interstate insurance compact.

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