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House of Representatives, April 25, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative LIPMAN of Augusta.

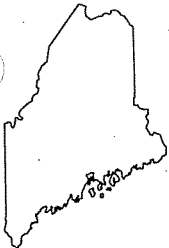
Cosponsored by Representative DAGGETT of Augusta and Representative COTE of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

**Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study the Feasibility of a
Capital Cultural Center.**

(EMERGENCY)



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

Whereas, the study must be initiated before the 90-day
period expires in order that the study may be completed and a
report submitted in time for submission to the next legislative
session; and

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

Sec. 1. Commission established. Resolved: That the Commission
to Study the Feasibility of a Capital Cultural Center is
established; and be it further

Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved: That the commission
consists of the following 9 members: two representatives of the
University of Maine at Augusta appointed by the President of the
University of Maine at Augusta; 2 municipal officers of Augusta,
one of whom must be the mayor and one must be a city council
representative; 2 representatives of the public, one of whom must
be appointed by the Governor and one must be appointed jointly by
the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
Representatives; 3 members of the Legislature, one of whom must
be the Senator from Augusta, one must be a member of the House of
Representatives from Augusta and one must be a member of the
House of Representatives from Hallowell, appointed jointly by the
President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
Representatives; and be it further

Sec. 3. Appointments; meetings. Resolved: That all
appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the
effective date of this resolve. The Executive Director of the
Legislative Council must be notified by all appointing
authorities once the selections have been made. When the
appointment of all members has been completed the Chair of the
Legislative Council shall call and convene the first meeting of
the commission no later than July 15, 1991. The commission shall
select a chair from among its members; and be it further

Sec. 4. Duties. Resolved: That the commission shall study the
feasibility of establishing a Capital Cultural Center. In
conducting the study the commission shall examine the following
issues:

1. Whether the need for a cultural center exists;
2. The appropriate location for a cultural center; and

2 3. The cost of establishing and maintaining a cultural
center; and be it further

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6 **Sec. 5. Powers. Resolved:** That in examining the issues in
section 4 of this resolve, the commission may:

8 1. Meet at convenient times and places within Augusta;

10 2. Hold informational sessions for discussions with
knowledgeable persons;

12 3. Conduct, summarize and analyze the results of a
14 literature search;

16 4. Conduct, tabulate and analyze the results of a survey of
the public or affected persons and groups;

18 5. Procure and analyze relevant data;

20 6. Conduct legal research and prepare opinions on legal
22 questions within the scope of the study; and

24 7. Determine and summarize the legislative actions or
26 governmental programs undertaken in other jurisdictions related
to issues within the scope of the study; and be it further

28 **Sec. 6. Staff assistance. Resolved:** That the commission may
30 request staffing assistance from the Legislative Council; and be
it further

32 **Sec. 7. Reimbursement. Resolved:** That the members of the
34 commission who are Legislators are entitled to receive the
legislative per diem, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes,
36 Title 3, section 2, for each day's attendance at commission
meetings; and be it further

38 **Sec. 8. Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall submit
40 its report together with any necessary implementing legislation
to the Second Regular Session of the 115th Legislature no later
42 than November 1, 1991; and be it further.

44 **Sec. 9. Appropriation. Resolved:** That the following funds are
46 appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
this resolve.

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of a Capital Cultural Center**

