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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
115TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1243, L.D. 1809, "Resolve,
to Establish the Commission to Study Secondary Vocational and
Technical Education in Maine"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 2 and
inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved: That the
commission consists of the following 15 members, selected to
achieve equitable geographic distribution:

1. Two members of the Legislature, appointed jointly by the
President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
Representatives;

2. One human resource development person and one secondary
education guidance counselor, appointed by the Governor;

3. The President of the Maine Chamber of Commerce and
Industry, or a designee;

4. One representative from a technical college in the
State, appointed by the President of the Maine Technical College
System;

5. One person involved in an apprenticeship program,
appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker
of the House of Representatives;

6. The Associate Commissioner of the Bureau of Adult and
Secondary Vocational Education, Department of Education, or a
designee;

7. One representative from a secondary vocational center or
region and one representative from the Maine Council on
Vocational Education, appointed jointly by the President of the
Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

2 8. Three members of the general public, one of whom is a
4 member of the Maine Chapter of Women in Construction and 2 of
6 whom are representatives of the trade community, appointed by the
Governor; and

8 9. One representative from a labor organization and one
10 secondary education principal, appointed jointly by the President
of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
and be it further'

12 Further amend the resolve in section 3 in the last line
14 (page 2, line 13 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "a
chair" and inserting in its place the following: '2 cochairs'

16 Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 4
18 and inserting in its place the following:

20 'Sec. 4. Duties. Resolved: That the commission shall study
22 secondary vocational and technical education in the State. In
conducting the study, the commission shall:

24 1. Review proposed and active program models identified in
the State Plan for Vocational and Applied Education. The review
must cover the following issues:

26 A. Student accessibility;

28 B. Nontraditional student enrollment, with particular
30 emphasis on age and gender;

32 C. Coordination between business and education;

34 D. How the secondary high school curriculum prepares
36 students for the world of work; and

38 E. The transition from school to work;

40 2. Examine barriers to access, including:

42 A. Transportation;

44 B. High school and vocational education program scheduling;

46 C. High school graduation requirements;

48 D. Program funding and budget cuts;

50 E. Student academic preparedness for secondary vocational
education programs;

52 F. Career awareness;

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2 G. Dropping out of high school; and

4 H. Geographic location;

6 3. Explore images and attitudes concerning vocational and technical education, including:

8 A. Career attitudes; and

10 B. Institutional and cultural disincentives;

12 4. Propose effective methods of coordinating:

14 A. Plans to accommodate future technology;

16 B. Community-based learning experiences;

18 C. Effective use of traditional and nontraditional teaching resources; and

20 D. Elementary-to-secondary school transitions,
22 secondary-to-postsecondary school transitions and
24 school-to-work and work-to-school transitions for students
interested in vocational and technical education;

26 5. Determine possible establishment of vocational and technical education pilot projects; and

28 6. Explore other secondary vocational and technical
30 education issues that the commission believes are important to
32 the purposes of this resolve; and be it further'

34 Further amend the resolve in section 5 by striking out all
of subsections 1 and 2 (page 2, lines 41 to 44 in L.D.) and
inserting in their place the following:

36 '1. Meet at convenient times and places to be determined by
38 the commission;

40 2. Hold public hearings and informational sessions with
42 knowledgeable persons at various locations throughout the State;'

44 Further amend the resolve in section 8 in the last line
(page 3, line 31 in L.D.) by striking out the following:
"November 1, 1991" and inserting in its place the following:
46 'February 15, 1992'

48 Further amend the resolve in section 9 in the last line
(page 3, line 41 in L.D.) by striking out the following:
50 "Council." and inserting in its place the following: 'Council;
and be it further'

Further amend the resolve by inserting after section 9 the following:

'Sec. 10. Allocation. Resolved: That the following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

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Personal Services	\$880
All Other	13,195

Provides funds to the Commission to Study Secondary Vocational and Technical Education in Maine for the per diem and expenses of legislative members, expenses of other members, printing, consulting services and miscellaneous commission expenses.

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TOTAL

\$14,075'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end after the emergency clause and before the statement of fact the following:

FISCAL NOTE

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APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

Other Funds	\$14,075
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REVENUES

Other Funds	\$14,075
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This resolve establishes the Commission to Study Secondary Vocational and Technical Education in Maine and will require an allocation of Other Special Revenue funds to the Legislature of \$14,075 in fiscal year 1991-92 for the per diem and expenses of legislative members, expenses of other members, consulting services and printing. Costs related to meeting attendance by state employees on the commission will be absorbed within existing resources of their respective departments. Any costs associated with staff assistance provided by the Legislature will be absorbed within current budgeted resources of the

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Legislature. The resolve authorizes the Legislative Council to seek outside sources of funding. Specifically, General Fund appropriations can not be used to support this commission.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment changes the membership of the Commission to Study Secondary Vocational and Technical Education in Maine, redefines the commission's duties, establishes a new reporting date of February 15, 1992 and adds a fiscal note to the resolve.

Reported by the Committee on Education
Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House
(6/5/91) (Filing No. H-570)