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House of Representatives, April 6, 1995

Resolve, to Establish a Task Force to Identify the Part-time Workforce in the State.

Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CHASE of China.
Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford and
Representatives: GATES of Rockport, HATCH of Skowhegan, KONTOS of Windham,
LEMAIRE of Lewiston, SAMSON of Jay, TOWNSEND of Portland, TREAT of Gardiner,
Senator: RAND of Cumberland.

2 **Sec. 1. Task force established. Resolved:** That the Task Force to
Identify the Part-time Workforce in the State, referred to in
4 this resolve as the "task force," is established; and be it further

6 **Sec. 2. Membership. Resolved:** That the task force consists
of the 6 following members:

8 1. The Commissioner of Labor or the commissioner's designee;

10 2. Three public members appointed by the Governor, one of
12 whom must be a representative of business; and

14 3. Two Legislators who are members of the Joint Standing
Committee on Labor, one of whom is appointed by the President of
16 the Senate and one of whom is appointed by the Speaker of the
House of Representatives; and be it further

18 **Sec. 3. Convening of the task force. Resolved:** That all
20 appointments must be made no later than 30 days after the
effective date of this resolve. The Chair of the Legislative
22 Council shall call the first meeting of the task force within 14
days after all appointments are made. The task force shall elect
24 a chair from among the members; and be it further

26 **Sec. 4. Duties. Resolved:** That the task force shall procure
and analyze relevant data to identify the part-time workforce in
28 the State. The task force shall obtain the following information:

30 1. The number of seasonally contingent part-time employees;

32 2. Demographics including the age, gender and geographic
distribution of the part-time workforce;

34 3. The type and size of industries and businesses that
36 employ part-time employees;

38 4. The wages generally paid to part-time employees;

40 5. The health care benefits that are provided to part-time
employees; and

42 6. The percentage of employer participation in unemployment
44 insurance and the percentage of part-time employees who have
received unemployment insurance benefits; and be it further

46 **Sec. 5. Assistance. Resolved:** That the task force may request
48 staff assistance from the Legislative Council and the

2 Department of Labor. The Department of Labor shall provide
technical assistance to the task force; and be it further

4 **Sec. 6. Reimbursement. Resolved:** That the task force members
who are Legislators are entitled to receive legislative per diem,
6 as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2, for
each day's attendance at meetings of the task force. All members
8 of the task force are entitled to reimbursement for travel and
other necessary expenses upon application to the Legislative
10 Council; and be it further

12 **Sec. 7. Report. Resolved:** That the task force shall submit
its report to the Second Regular Session of the 117th Legislature
14 no later than February 15, 1996.

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18 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

This resolve establishes the Task Force to Identify the
20 Part-time Workforce in the State.