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House of Representatives, April 12, 1995

Resolve, to Create the Maine 175th Anniversary of Statehood License Plate.

(EMERGENCY)

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative ADAMS of Portland.

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

Whereas, Maine is currently celebrating 175 years of statehood; and

Whereas, creation of a special commemorative license plate in honor of that anniversary would be an important and meaningful addition to those celebrations; 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. State terquasquicentennial plate. Resolved: That the Secretary of State shall issue a reflectorized, commemorative, simulated registration plate in celebration of the State's terquasquicentennial. The Secretary of State shall design the plate in consultation with the Maine Arts Commission. The terquasquicentennial commemorative plate may be displayed to replace the front registration plate on a motor vehicle, except a truck tractor, including a motor vehicle registered outside this State and operated within it, until December 31, 1996; and be it further

Sec. 2. Administrative fee; distribution. Resolved: That the fee for the terquasquicentennial commemorative plate is \$12.50, which must be deposited in a special fund and transferred quarterly by the Treasurer of State as follows:

1. Seven dollars and fifty cents per plate to the Secretary of State for the costs associated with production and issuance of the plates; and

2. Five dollars per plate divided equally among the Maine State Library, Maine State Museum, Maine Historic Preservation Commission and Maine Arts Commission; and be if further

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Sec. 3. Other uses prohibited. Resolved: That a terquasquicentennial commemorative plate may not be sold or displayed except as provided in this section.

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

STATEMENT OF FACT

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This resolve creates a special commemorative simulated motor vehicle registration plate in celebration of the 175th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Maine. The plate will be designed and issued by the Secretary of State and may be displayed during the rest of 1995 and 1996 in place of the front registration plate on most motor vehicles. Revenue generated by sale of the plate in excess of the cost of production and issuance will be divided equally among the state cultural agencies.