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# 118th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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**Resolve, to Create a Commission to Study the Tax Implications for  
Municipalities Resulting from the Repeal of the Uniform Property Tax.**

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Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

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

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec.  
Cosponsored by Representative MADORE of Augusta and  
Representative: GAGNON of Waterville.

2           **Sec. 1. Commission established. Resolved:** That the Commission  
3 on Tax Implications for Municipalities, referred to in this  
4 resolve as the "commission," is established to study the effects  
5 on municipalities of the repeal of the uniform property tax; and  
6 be it further

7           **Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved:** That the commission  
8 consists of the following 5 members:

9           1. One member of the Maine Municipal Association, appointed  
10 by the Governor;

11           2. One representative of the Bureau of Taxation, appointed  
12 by the State Tax Assessor;

13           3. One member of the House of Representatives, appointed by  
14 the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

15           4. One member of the Senate, appointed by the President of  
16 the Senate; and

17           5. One elected municipal official, appointed by the  
18 Governor; and be it further

19           **Sec. 3. Appointments; meetings. Resolved:** That all  
20 appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the  
21 effective date of this resolve. The Executive Director of the  
22 Legislative Council must be notified by all appointing  
23 authorities once the selections have been made. Within 15 days  
24 of appointment of all members, the Chair of the Legislative  
25 Council shall call and convene the first meeting of the  
26 commission. The commission shall select a chair from among its  
27 members; and be it further

28           **Sec. 4. Duties. Resolved:** That the commission shall study the  
29 effects on municipalities of the repeal of the uniform property  
30 tax; and be it further

31           **Sec. 5. Staff assistance. Resolved:** That the commission may  
32 request staff assistance from the Legislative Council; and be it  
33 further

34           **Sec. 6. Reimbursement. Resolved:** That the members of the  
35 commission shall serve without compensation or reimbursement of  
36 any type; and be it further

37           **Sec. 7. Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall submit  
38 its report, together with any necessary implementing legislation,  
39 to the Second Regular Session of the 118th Legislature no later  
40 than December 31, 1997. If the commission requires an  
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2 extension, it may apply to the Legislative Council, which may  
3 grant the extension.

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### SUMMARY

8 This resolve establishes the Commission on Tax Implications  
9 for Municipalities to study the effects on municipalities of the  
10 repeal of the uniform property tax.