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House of Representatives, March 20, 1997

**Resolve, Concerning the Construction of a State Playground at Capitol
Park.**

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

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

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative O'BRIEN of Augusta.

2 **Sec. 1. Commission established. Resolved:** That the Commission
to Study the Feasibility of Constructing a Playground at Capitol
4 Park, referred to in this resolve as the "commission," is
established; and be it further

6 **Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved:** That the commission
consists of the following 6 members:

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10 1. One representative of the City of Augusta, Department of
Community Services;

12 2. The Director of the State House and Capitol Park
Commission or the director's designee;

14 3. The Director of the Maine Historic Preservation
16 Commission or the director's designee;

18 4. One member of the Senate appointed by the President of
the Senate; and

20 5. Two members of the House of Representatives appointed by
22 the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

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

34 **Sec. 4. Duties. Resolved:** That the commission shall study the
feasibility of constructing a playground on the grounds of
36 Capitol Park. In conducting the study the commission shall
examine the following issues:

38 1. The appropriateness of constructing a playground on the
40 grounds of Capitol Park; and

42 2. Whether there is sufficient interest from private
sources to fund the construction of a playground; and be it
44 further

46 **Sec. 5. Powers. Resolved:** That if the commission finds that
the issues in section 4 of this resolve can be met, the
48 commission shall:

50 1. Develop an architectural design for the playground;

2 2. Seek private sources of funding for construction of the
4 playground. State funds may not be spent for construction of a
playground; and

6 3. Develop a plan to implement the construction project;
and be it further

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

12 **Sec. 7. Compensation; expenses. Resolved:** That the members of
14 the commission are not entitled to receive compensation or
reimbursement for expenses; and be it further

16 **Sec. 8. Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall submit its
18 findings to the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local
Government no later than January 15, 1998. If the commission
20 requires an extension, it may apply to the Legislative Council,
which may grant the extension. The Joint Standing Committee on
22 State and Local Government may develop and report out legislation
necessary to implement the recommendations of the commission
24 during the Second Regular Session of the 118th Legislature.

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SUMMARY

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This resolve establishes the Commission to Study the
30 Feasibility of Constructing a Playground at Capitol Park.