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10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $A$ " to S.P.	542, L.D. 1661, Bill, "An
20	Act to Implement the Recommendation Commission on Hunger and Food Security"	ns of the Blue Ribbon
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24	Amend the bill by striking out the following:	the title and substituting
26	'Resolve, to Implement the Recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Hunger and Food Security'	
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30	Further amend the bill by strikin title and before the summary and in following:	
32	Con 1 Commission ortablished Developed metry of the	
34	'Sec. 1. Commission established. Resolved: That the Maine Millenium Commission on Hunger and Food Security, referred to in this section as the "commission," is established.	
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38	<ol> <li>Members. The commission appointed in September 1999 as follo joint standing committee of the Legis</li> </ol>	ws: one Senator from the
40	over health and human services ma	atters, appointed by the
42	President of the Senate; 3 Represe standing committee of the Legislature	
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44	the House of Representatives; one	-
46	Department of Human Services, appointed by the Commissioner of Human Services; and 10 representatives of the general public, including representatives of business, labor, religion, private nonprofit charitable organizations, low-income organizations and agriculture and antihunger organizations, 4 of whom are appointed by the Governor, 3 by the President of the Senate and 3 by the	
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2 2. Organizational meeting. The commission shall hold an organizational meeting, called by the Chair of the Legislative
 4 Council, by December 1, 1999 and shall elect from among the members a chair and a vice-chair for the commission.

3. Duties. The commission shall hold hearings on hunger 8 and food security, which, for the purposes of this section, means access through normal channels to nutrition sufficient for daily 10 life and work, and develop a plan for relieving hunger and ensuring food security for people in the State. The commission 12 shall inquire into the experience of hunger in this State and investigate changes in policies and programs that will enable all 14 citizens of this State to attain food security and to move toward self-reliance. This inquiry must include, but is not limited to, 16 consideration of the reform of public welfare and the role of public and private efforts in achieving food security. The 18 commission shall evaluate the progress of recommendations made by the Blue Ribbon Commission on Hunger and Food Security.

**4. Staff assistance.** The Department of Human Services and the Executive Department, State Planning Office shall provide research, clerical and computer assistance to the commission.

5. Reimbursement; mileage. The members of the commission are not entitled to reimbursement for expenses or legislative per diem, except that legislative members are entitled to reimbursement for mileage upon application to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council.

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6. Report. The commission shall submit a report, together
32 with any necessary implementing legislation, to the First Regular
Session of the 120th Legislature by December 15, 2001.

7. Funding. The commission may seek outside sources of funding.'

38 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

**'FISCAL NOTE** 

44 The Legislature may require additional General Fund appropriations estimated to be \$3,200 in each of fiscal years 46 1999-2000 and 2000-01 and \$3,700 in fiscal year 2001-02 for the legislative members and public expenses of hearing and 48 miscellaneous costs of the Maine Millenium Commission on Hunger and Food Security.

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The additional costs associated with providing staff assistance to the Maine Millenium Commission on Hunger and Food Security can be absorbed by the Department of Human Services and the State Planning Office utilizing existing budgeted resources.'

#### **SUMMARY**

This amendment changes the bill to a resolve and removes all 10 the sections of the original bill but retains the provision enacting the Maine Millennium Commission on Hunger and Food 12 Security. It also adds a fiscal note to the resolve.

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