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Resolve, to Establish Rules for On-line Sales of Hunting and Fishing Licenses and Watercraft, Snowmobile and All-terrain Vehicle Registrations.

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative JACOBS of Turner.
Cosponsored by Senator NUTTING of Androscoggin and
Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, CLARK of Millinocket, GOODWIN of Pembroke,
LaVERDIERE of Wilton, LUNDEEN of Mars Hill, SHERMAN of Hodgdon, Senators:
FERGUSON of Oxford, President MICHAUD of Penobscot.

Sec. 1. Rulemaking for on-line sales of licenses, permits and registrations. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall adopt rules establishing the criteria for requiring agents to develop interactive computer capacity in order to sell licenses or permits or watercraft, snowmobile or all-terrain vehicle registrations. These rules must establish the process for testing the interactive program, a 5-vear timetable for requiring agents to develop interactive capacity, procedures for ensuring that the license documentation can not easily be reproduced and a process for the electronic transfer of funds from the agents to the State. Rules adopted under this subsection are major substantive rules pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

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16 SUMMARY

18 This resolve requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to adopt major substantive rules establishing 20 criteria to govern the requirement that agents of the Department Inland Fisheries and Wildlife must develop interactive capacity in order to sell hunting and fishing 22 licenses and register watercraft, snowmobiles and all-terrain 24 vehicles. At minimum the commissioner is required to develop rules that:

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1. Create a pilot program to test the on-line program;

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- 2. Establish a 5-year timetable for requiring agents to sell on-line licenses and registrations;
- 32 3. Ensure that license and registration documentation will not easily be reproduced; and

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4. Create an electronic transfer of funds system that is agreed to by the department and agents.