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House of Representatives, March 5, 2001

An Act to Designate a Day of Reflection and Tolerance.

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

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative TWOMEY of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BULL of Freeport, COWGER of Hallowell, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook, JACOBS of Turner, McDONOUGH of Portland, NORBERT of Portland, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, VOLENIK of Brooklin.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §139** is enacted to read:

6 **§139. Diversity Day**

8 The Governor annually shall issue a proclamation designating
10 May 17th of each year as Diversity Day and shall urge the people
12 of the State to observe this day in suitable places and with
14 appropriate ceremony and activity. The Department of Education
shall make information available to the people and the schools,
within its budget, to reflect on the importance of understanding
and tolerance in our nation, which comprises different races,
genders, ethnic groups, religions and creeds.

16 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill designates May 17th of each year as Diversity Day.
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