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Resolve, to Provide for the Effective Implementation of Anadromous Fish Restoration on the Upper Kennebec River System

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

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Presented by Representative FLETCHER of Winslow. Cosponsored by Senator WESTON of Waldo and Representatives: BROWNE of Vassalboro, HONEY of Boothbay, KAELIN of Winterport, MUSE of Fryeburg, THOMPSON of China, TOBIN of Dexter, TRAHAN of Waldoboro, Senator: GAGNON of Kennebec. Sec. 1. Department of Marine Resources shall review and update
costs and results of shad and alewives restoration efforts on upper Kennebec River. Resolved: That the Department of Marine Resources
is directed to update and review the current status and report costs and results of the shad and alewives restoration effort on
the upper Kennebec River system; and be it further

- 8 Sec. 2. Comprehensive plan. Resolved: That the Department of Marine Resources is directed to develop and report on a 10 comprehensive plan that details the resources required, associated costs, timetable and specific results and benefits to 12 be derived from a mature restoration effort; and be it further
- Sec. 3. Assessment. Resolved: 14 That the Department of Marine Resources conduct an assessment of the impacts and benefits of the reintroduction of anadromous alewives into the "phase two" 16 cold water lakes and ponds, as described in the Strategic Plan for the Restoration of Shad and Alewives to the Kennebec River 18 Above Augusta, as developed by the Department of Marine Resources The assessment must involve the local communities to 20 in 1985. the extent that information is shared and evaluated in a joint manner; and be it further 22
- Sec. 4. Informational hearings. Resolved: That the Department 24 of Marine Resources is directed to conduct timely information 26 meetings or hearings in all affected Kennebec River and Sebasticook River communities to ensure that there is opportunity 28 for community understanding, input and influence on the implementation of the anadromous fish restoration effort; and be it further 30
- 32 Sec. 5. Completion and report date established. Resolved: That the Department of Marine Resources shall complete its duties 34 under this resolve and report its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources no later than January 15, 2004. 36

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SUMMARY

40 This resolve directs the Department of Marine Resources to update and review the current status of the shad and alewives restoration effort on the upper Kennebec River system and to 42 develop a comprehensive plan regarding continued restoration The resolve directs the department to conduct an 44 efforts. assessment of the impacts and benefits of the reintroduction of anadromous alewives and to hold public information meetings in 46 affected Kennebec River and Sebasticook River communities. \mathbf{The} 48 resolve also requires the department to complete its duties under

this resolve and report its findings to the Joint Standing 2 Committee on Marine Resources no later than January 15, 2004.