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House of Representatives, January 21, 2003

**RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of
Maine to Allow Transportation Revenues to Fund a Flexible and
Modern Transportation Policy**

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative FAIRCLOTH of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Senator HATCH of Somerset and
Representatives: MARLEY of Portland, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth, PARADIS of
Frenchville, SUSLOVIC of Portland, USHER of Westbrook, Senators: DAMON of Hancock,
SAVAGE of Knox.

2 and returns made to the Secretary of State in the same manner as
3 votes for members of the Legislature. The Governor shall review
4 the returns and, if it appears that a majority of the legal votes
5 are cast in favor of the amendment, the Governor shall proclaim
6 that fact without delay and the amendment becomes part of the
7 Constitution on the date of the proclamation; and be it further

8 **Secretary of State shall prepare ballots. Resolved:** That the
9 Secretary of State shall prepare and furnish to each city, town
10 and plantation all ballots, returns and copies of this resolution
11 necessary to carry out the purposes of this referendum.
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14 SUMMARY

16 This resolution proposes an amendment to the Constitution of
17 Maine to allow gas taxes and other highway fund revenue to be
18 used for such transportation expenses as the Legislature
19 considers appropriate. The goal of the resolution is to amend
20 the Constitution of Maine to reflect modern transportation policy
21 that takes into account modern environmental and health research,
22 ensuring that Maine communities are designed with transportation
23 that makes physical activity and health central to 21st century
24 transportation plans.