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H.P. 213

House of Representatives, January 18, 2005

Resolve, To Improve Maine's Economic Competitiveness

Reference to the Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. Macfarland MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND Clerk

Presented by Representative RECTOR of Thomaston.

Cosponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln and

Representatives: BIERMAN of Sorrento, CLOUGH of Scarborough, CURLEY of

Scarborough, McKANE of Newcastle, ROBINSON of Raymond, SHERMAN of Hodgdon,

SMITH of Monmouth, Senator: COWGER of Kennebec.

Sec. 1. Department of Economic and Community Development to
review existing regulatory and tax laws. Resolved: That the Department
of Economic and Community Development is directed to review
existing regulatory and tax laws to identify areas where
businesses in the State are placed in a competitive disadvantage
in relation to other states and suggest necessary reforms to
correct apparent problems; and be it further

Sec. 2. Reporting date established. Resolved: That the Department of Economic and Community Development shall report its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development by December 7, 2005.

## **SUMMARY**

This resolve directs the Department of Economic and Community Development to review existing regulatory and tax laws to identify areas where businesses in the State are placed in a competitive disadvantage in relation to other states and suggest necessary reforms to correct apparent problems in a report to the Legislature due December 7, 2005.