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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 588, L.D. 829, "Resolve, To Raise a Monument for Women Veterans of Maine"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. Commission established. Resolved: That the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine, referred to in this resolve as "the commission," is established; and be it further

Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved: That the commission consists of 8 members appointed as follows:

1. One member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate;

2. One member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

3. Three members with military experience, 2 of whom must be women veterans, appointed by the President of the Senate;

4. A representative of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management who has expertise in veteran affairs, appointed by the President of the Senate;

5. A representative of the Bureau of General Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services who has expertise in the design of monuments, appointed by the Speaker of the House; and

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2           6. The chair of the Capitol Planning Commission; and be it  
4 further

6           **Sec. 3. Chairs. Resolved:** That the Senate member is the  
8 Senate chair of the commission and the House of Representatives  
10 member is the House chair of the commission; and be it further

12           **Sec. 4. Appointments; convening of commission. Resolved:** That  
14 all appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the  
16 effective date of this resolve. The appointing authorities shall  
18 notify the Executive Director of the Legislative Council and the  
20 Director of the Bureau of General Services within the Department  
22 of Administrative and Financial Services once all appointments  
24 have been completed. Within 15 days after appointment of all  
26 members, but not later than August 1st, the chairs shall call and  
28 convene the first meeting of the commission; and be it further

30           **Sec. 5. Duties. Resolved:** That the commission shall develop  
32 recommendations for a design and a location and other matters  
34 relating to installation of a monument honoring women veterans of  
36 Maine for review by and approval of the Capitol Planning  
38 Commission pursuant to section 10 of this resolve; and be it  
40 further

42           **Sec. 6. Staff assistance. Resolved:** That the Legislative Council  
44 shall provide necessary staffing services to the commission; and  
46 be it further

48           **Sec. 7. Meetings. Resolved:** That the commission may hold  
meetings, one of which must be a public hearing. When possible,  
meetings should be held when the Legislature is not in session;  
and be it further

**Sec. 8. Funding. Resolved:** That the commission may seek  
outside funds to fully fund all costs of the commission. If  
sufficient outside funding has not been received by September 15,  
2005 to fully fund all costs of the commission, no meetings are  
authorized and no expenses of any kind may be incurred or  
reimbursed. Contributions to support the work of the commission  
may not be accepted from any party having a pecuniary or other  
vested interest in the outcome of the matters being studied. Any  
person, other than a state agency, desiring to make a financial  
or in-kind contribution must certify to the Legislative Council  
that it has no pecuniary or other vested interest in the outcome  
of the study. The certification must be made in the manner  
prescribed by the Legislative Council. All funds accepted must  
be forwarded to the Executive Director of the Legislative Council  
along with an accounting record that includes the amount of the

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2 funds, the date the funds were received, from whom the funds were  
3 received and the purpose of and any limitation on the use of  
4 those funds. The Executive Director of the Legislative Council  
5 shall administer any funds received by the commission. The  
6 Executive Director shall notify the chairs of the commission when  
7 sufficient funding has been received; and be it further

8 **Sec. 9. Compensation. Resolved:** That the legislative members  
9 of the commission are entitled to receive the legislative per  
10 diem, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section  
11 2, and reimbursement for travel and other necessary expenses  
12 related to their attendance at authorized meetings of the  
13 commission. Public members not otherwise compensated by their  
14 employers or other entities that they represent are entitled to  
15 receive reimbursement of necessary expenses and, upon a  
16 demonstration of financial hardship, a per diem equal to the  
17 legislative per diem for their attendance at authorized meetings  
18 of the commission; and be it further

19 **Sec. 10. Consultation; reports. Resolved:** That, when the  
20 commission has developed recommendations about an appropriate  
21 location and design for the monument honoring women veterans of  
22 Maine, but not later than January 2, 2006, the commission shall  
23 submit its initial report for review by the Capitol Planning  
24 Commission. A final report must be submitted to the Capitol  
25 Planning Commission by March 1, 2006. Upon submission of its  
26 required reports, the commission terminates; and be it further  
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28 **Sec. 11. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved:** That the  
29 following appropriations and allocations are made.

30 **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

31 **Buildings and Grounds Operations 0080**

32 Initiative: Provides a base allocation to the Bureau of General  
33 Services in the event that outside sources of funding are  
34 received for the memorial.

35	<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>
36	All Other	\$500	\$500
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38	<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$500'</b>

39 **SUMMARY**

40 This amendment replaces the bill and establishes an 8-member  
41 commission to arrange for a monument to honor the women veterans

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of Maine. It requires the commission to submit its initial report for review by the Capitol Planning Commission by January 2, 2006 and a final report by March 1, 2006.

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**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
**(See attached)**

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LD 829

LR 0945(02)

**Resolve, To Raise a Monument for Women Veterans of Maine**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"**

**Committee: Legal and Veterans Affairs**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

## Fiscal Note

### Current Costs - Legislative Study

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$500	\$500	\$0	\$0

### Legislative Study

The projected general operating expenses of the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine are \$3,940 in fiscal year 2005-06. The Legislature's Part I budget includes \$30,000 in fiscal year 2005-06 and \$20,000 in fiscal year 2006-07 for legislative studies. Whether the amounts are sufficient to fund all studies will depend on the number of studies authorized by the Legislative Council and the Legislature. The commission is authorized to seek and accept outside sources of funding for the memorial. This legislation includes an Other Special Revenue Funds allocation of \$500 in fiscal years 2005-06 and 2006-07 to allow the Bureau of General Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to accept and expend any dedicated funds.