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### Resolve, To Reduce the Size of State Government by Four Percent

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative JOY of Crystal.  
Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset and  
Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, COTTA of China, JACOBSEN of Waterboro,  
LEWIN of Eliot, MOORE of Standish, SAVIELLO of Wilton, THOMAS of Ripley,  
VAUGHAN of Durham.

1       **Sec. 1. State departments directed to conduct evaluation of operations**  
2 **for cost savings. Resolved:** That each state department shall evaluate its operations  
3 to determine if any of its programs or personnel could be reduced by 4%. When  
4 conducting this evaluation, each department shall consider reducing those programs or  
5 personnel, including those employees eligible for retirement, the reduction of which  
6 would have the least impact on the ability of the department to complete its mission.  
7 Each department shall report the results of its evaluation and any potential cost savings to  
8 the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services by December 15, 2007.

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#### SUMMARY

10       This resolve directs each state department to conduct an evaluation of its operations  
11 to determine if any of its programs and personnel could be reduced by 4% without  
12 affecting the ability of the department to complete its mission. Each department shall  
13 report the results of its evaluation and any potential cost savings to the Commissioner of  
14 Administrative and Financial Services by December 15, 2007.