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House of Representatives, March 14, 2008

**Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 3:
Maine Clean Election Act and Related Provisions, a Major
Substantive Rule of the Commission on Governmental Ethics and
Election Practices**

(EMERGENCY)

Reported by Representative PATRICK of Rumford for the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072.

Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed under Joint Rule 218.

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MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

1 **Emergency preamble.** **Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not
2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

3 **Whereas,** the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires
4 legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by
5 the agency; and

6 **Whereas,** the above-named major substantive rule has been submitted to the
7 Legislature for review; and

8 **Whereas,** immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the
9 Legislature's position on final adoption of the rule; and

10 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within
11 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as
12 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
13 therefore, be it

14 **Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved:** That final adoption of portions of Chapter 3: Maine
15 Clean Election Act and Related Provisions, a provisionally adopted major substantive
16 rule of the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices that has been
17 submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5,
18 chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized.

19 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this
20 legislation takes effect when approved.

21 **SUMMARY**

22 This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 3: Maine Clean
23 Election Act and Related Provisions, a major substantive rule of the Commission on
24 Governmental Ethics and Election Practices.