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House of Representatives, January 4, 2011

An Act Designating March 29th Vietnam Veterans Day

(EMERGENCY)

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

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Clerk

Presented by Representative BRIGGS of Mexico. Cosponsored by Senator PATRICK of Oxford and

Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, DION of Portland, FITTS of Pittsfield, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senators: JACKSON of Aroostook,

PLOWMAN of Penobscot, SAVIELLO of Franklin.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
Whereas, it is important that this legislation take effect prior to March 29th, which is designated as Vietnam Veterans Day by this legislation; and
Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,
Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §150-F is enacted to read:
§150-F. Vietnam Veterans Day
In recognition of the service and sacrifice of those veterans of the United States Armed Forces who served during the Vietnam War, the State designates March 29th of each year as Vietnam Veterans Day. The Governor shall annually issue a proclamation urging the people of the State to observe the day with appropriate celebration and activity.
Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.
SUMMARY
This bill designates March 29th of each year as Vietnam Veterans Day, in commemoration of the date in 1973 when the last United States troops were withdrawn from the war zone.