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150,000 Maine people; and

Whereas, the University of Maine System does not currently offer a hospitality and hotel management baccalaureate degree program at any of the universities within the system; and

Whereas, this resolve needs to take effect before the expiration of the 90-day period so that the required reports may be submitted in time; 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

- Sec. 1. Stakeholder group. Resolved: That the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System shall convene a stakeholder group to explore the creation of a hospitality and hotel management baccalaureate degree program within the system. The stakeholder group shall include, but is not limited to, representatives of the following:
 - 1. The University of Maine System;
 - 2. The Maine Community College System;
- 33 3. The Department of Economic and Community Development, Office of Tourism;
- 34 4. The Maine Tourism Association;

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 171, L.D. 579

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| 1 | 5. The Maine Innkeepers Association; |
| 2 | 6. The Maine Restaurant Association; and |
| 3 | 7. The Maine State Chamber of Commerce; and be it further |
| 4 5 6 7 8 | Sec. 2. Review and recommendations. Resolved: That, no later than November 1, 2011, the stakeholder group shall submit a written report to the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System with their findings and recommendations of the necessity, feasibility and financial implications of creating a hospitality and hote management baccalaureate degree program within the system; and be it further |
| 9 10 11 12 13 | Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That, by January 31, 2012, the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System, or the board's designee, shall present a report, including its conclusions and any recommendations resulting from the review conducted under sections 1 and 2, to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The joint standing committee may introduce a bill during the Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature to implement the recommendations relating to the report. |
| 15 16 | Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.' |
| 17 | SUMMARY |
| 18 | This amendment replaces the concept draft with a resolve that directs the Board o |
| 19 | Trustees of the University of Maine System to establish a stakeholder group to explore |
| 20 | the creation of a baccalaureate degree program for hospitality and hotel managemen |
| 21 | within the system. The amendment also provides that the Board of Trustees of the |
| 22 | University of Maine System shall present a report, including its conclusions and any |
| 23 | recommendations resulting from the review, to the Joint Standing Committee or |
| 24 | Education and Cultural Affairs by January 31, 2012, which may introduce a bill. |

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)



125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Resolve, To Study the Creation of a School of Hospitality and Hotel Management within the University of Maine System

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (\$-70)

Committee: Education and Cultural Affairs

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the University of Maine System and the Maine Community College System associated with establishing and participating in the stateholder group and submitting the required report can be absorbed within each system's existing budgeted resources.