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House of Representatives, February 18, 2011

### **Resolve, To Leverage Federal Opportunities for Job Creation in Maine**

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Received by the Clerk of the House on February 17, 2011. Referred to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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HEATHER J.R. PRIEST  
Clerk

Presented by Representative PETERSON of Rumford.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: EVES of North Berwick, HUNT of Buxton, PRESCOTT of Topsham.

1           **Sec. 1. Review by department. Resolved:** That the Department of Economic  
2           and Community Development shall review federal initiatives and pending federal  
3           legislation that promote the development of new employment, particularly employment in  
4           the manufacturing sector. The department shall identify initiatives to be undertaken on a  
5           state and local level that have the potential to leverage federal funding, including but not  
6           limited to:

7           1. Enhanced tax increment financing, including providing incentives to  
8           municipalities that provide tax increment financing to companies expanding under federal  
9           incentives;

10          2. Enhanced and expedited job training resources; and

11          3. Other incentives designed specifically to work to augment federal initiatives and  
12          leverage federal funding.

13          The department shall submit a report on its findings, including any necessary  
14          proposed legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research  
15          and Economic Development by December 1, 2011.

#### 16                                   **SUMMARY**

17          This resolve directs the Department of Economic and Community Development to  
18          review federal initiatives and pending federal legislation that promote the development of  
19          new employment, particularly employment in the manufacturing sector. The department  
20          shall identify initiatives to be undertaken on a state and local level that have the potential  
21          to leverage federal funding and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor,  
22          Commerce, Research and Economic Development by December 1, 2011.