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**Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Develop School
Building Security Plans**

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative BRIGGS of Mexico.
Cosponsored by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland and
Representatives: DION of Portland, FREY of Bangor, JOHNSON of Greenville,
McCLELLAN of Raymond, Senators: President ALFOND of Cumberland, LANGLEY of
Hancock, PATRICK of Oxford, TUTTLE of York.

1 **Sec. 1. Department of Education to develop school building security**
2 **plans. Resolved:** That, by January 1, 2014, in collaboration with the Department of
3 Public Safety, the Department of Education shall develop a plan that makes
4 recommendations to improve school building security and school preparedness in the
5 event of an emergency or natural disaster. The recommendations of the plan required by
6 this resolve must include, but are not limited to, subjects such as: ground-level security
7 measures for entryway doors, walls and windows; electronic locking doors that can be
8 monitored remotely by live video feeds operated by administrative staff; ballistic
9 protection for walls surrounding administrative staff workstations; and information for
10 administrators, teachers, students, parents and community leaders setting out proper
11 procedures and measures to take in response to and preparation for an emergency or
12 natural disaster. The Department of Education shall distribute the plan to all school
13 administrative units and make the plan available on the department's publicly accessible
14 website.

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This resolve directs the Department of Education to develop a plan that makes
17 recommendations to school administrative units for security measures that can be taken to
18 improve the security of school buildings and instructional information that can be given
19 to administrators, teachers, students, parents and community leaders concerning proper
20 procedures and measures to take in response to and preparation for an emergency or
21 natural disaster.