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Resolve, Implementing the Recommendations of the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality Related to Cancer

(EMERGENCY)

Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 353.

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CRAVEN of Androscoggin.

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,** this legislation needs to take effect before the expiration of the 90-day 4 period in order to allow the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality Related 5 to Cancer sufficient time to conduct its work; and

6 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within 7 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as 8 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, 9 therefore, be it

PART A

Sec. A-1. Resolve 2013, c. 77, §9, amended. Resolved: That Resolve 2013,
 chapter 77, section 9 is amended to read:

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13 Sec. 9. Reports. Resolved: That, no later than December -4-15, 2013, the commission shall submit a an interim report that includes its findings and 14 15 recommendations, including suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services in the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature and, 16 no later than December 15, 2014, a final report that includes its findings and 17 18 recommendations, including suggested legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters in the First 19 Regular Session of the 127th Legislature; and be it further 20

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22 Sec. A-2. Retroactivity. Resolved: That this Part applies retroactively to 23 December 4, 2013.

PART B

Sec. B-1. Working group. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Health and Human Services, in conjunction with the Director of the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention within the Department of Health and Human Services and the Commissioner of Education, shall convene a working group to develop a long-term, evidence-based strategy to prevent obesity as a significant preventable risk factor for cancer; and be it further

31 Sec. B-2. Participants. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Health and 32 Human Services shall invite the participation of various stakeholders in the working 33 group under this Part; and be it further

Sec. B-3. Report. Resolved: That, by February 1, 2015, the Commissioner of Health and Human Services shall submit a written report of the working group's findings under this Part and any recommendations, including suggested legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over

- education matters. The joint standing committees may each submit a bill to the First
 Regular Session of the 127th Legislature relating to the subject matter of the report.
- 3 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this 4 legislation takes effect when approved.

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- SUMMARY
- 6 This resolve requires the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality 7 Related to Cancer to complete an interim report and extends the date for the final report 8 to December 15, 2014.

9 This resolve also directs the Commissioner of Health and Human Services, in 10 conjunction with the Director of the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention 11 within the Department of Health and Human Services and the Commissioner of 12 Education, to convene a working group to develop a long-term, evidenced-based strategy 13 to prevent obesity as a significant risk factor for cancer.