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# 127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2015

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H.P. 614

House of Representatives, March 12, 2015

**Resolve, To Establish the Advisory Committee on Real Estate  
License Law**

(EMERGENCY)

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Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative POULIOT of Augusta.  
Cosponsored by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot and  
Representative: WADSWORTH of Hiram.

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,** the Advisory Committee on Real Estate License Law is created to  
4 establish a clearinghouse of continuing education classes and establish a 100-hour  
5 program of study for the real estate sales agent license; and

6           **Whereas,** the study must be initiated before the 90-day period expires in order that  
7 the study may be completed and a report submitted in time for submission to the next  
8 legislative session; and

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

13           **Sec. 1. Committee established. Resolved:** That the Advisory Committee on  
14 Real Estate License Law, referred to in this resolve as "the committee," is established;  
15 and be it further

16           **Sec. 2. Committee membership. Resolved:** That the committee consists of 10  
17 members appointed as follows:

18           1. Four members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, including  
19 members from each of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature;

20           2. Five members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the  
21 House, including members from each of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats  
22 in the Legislature; and

23           3. The Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation or the  
24 commissioner's designee; and be it further

25           **Sec. 3. Chairs. Resolved:** That the first-named Senate member is the Senate  
26 chair and the first-named House of Representatives member is the House chair of the  
27 committee; and be it further

28           **Sec. 4. Appointments; convening of committee. Resolved:** That all  
29 appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this  
30 resolve. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative  
31 Council once all appointments have been completed. After appointment of all members,  
32 the chairs shall call and convene the first meeting of the committee. If 30 days or more  
33 after the effective date of this resolve a majority of but not all appointments have been  
34 made, the chairs may request authority and the Legislative Council may grant authority  
35 for the committee to meet and conduct its business; and be it further

36           **Sec. 5. Duties. Resolved:** That the committee shall study:

1 1. Establishing a clearinghouse to track continuing education classes for real estate  
2 sales agents; and

3 2. Establishing a curriculum of 100 hours of study for the real estate sales agent  
4 license; and be it further

5 **Sec. 6. Staff assistance. Resolved:** That the Legislative Council shall provide  
6 necessary staffing services to the committee; and be it further

7 **Sec. 7. Report. Resolved:** That, no later than December 2, 2015, the committee  
8 shall submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations, including suggested  
9 legislation, for presentation to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

10 **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this  
11 legislation takes effect when approved.

## 12 SUMMARY

13 This resolve establishes the Advisory Committee on Real Estate License Law to  
14 study establishing a clearinghouse to track continuing education classes and a 100-hour  
15 program of study for real estate sales agents.