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House of Representatives, March 14, 2017

Resolve, To Establish the Study Committee To Develop a Disposition Plan for Future Surplus State Property in York County

(EMERGENCY)

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

R(+ B. Hunt

Presented by Representative MASTRACCIO of Sanford.
Cosponsored by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York and
Representatives: BAILEY of Saco, BLUME of York, FECTEAU of Biddeford, FOLEY of
Wells, HARRINGTON of Sanford, HYMANSON of York, Senators: COLLINS of York,
VOLK of Cumberland.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Study Committee To Develop a Disposition Plan for Future Surplus State Property in York County must be established in order to study and plan the disposition of the 3 district courthouses in York County to be vacated when the courts are consolidated into one building in 2021 and of associated surplus state property; and

Whereas, the study must be initiated before the 90-day period expires in order that the study may be completed and a report submitted in time for submission to the next legislative session; 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. Committee established. Resolved:** That, notwithstanding Joint Rule 353, the Study Committee To Develop a Disposition Plan for Future Surplus State Property in York County, referred to in this resolve as "the committee," is established; and be it further
- **Sec. 2. Committee membership. Resolved:** That the committee consists of 10 members appointed as follows:
 - 1. Three members of the Senate, who represent York, Springvale and Biddeford, appointed by the President of the Senate;
 - 2. Three members of the House of Representatives, who represent York, Springvale and Biddeford, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
 - 3. Three municipal officials, one each from York, Springvale and Biddeford, who are involved in economic development, appointed by the President of the Senate; and
 - 4. A representative of the Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission appointed by the Speaker of the House; and be it further
 - **Sec. 3. Chairs. Resolved:** That the first-named Senate member is the Senate chair and the first-named House of Representatives member is the House chair of the committee; and be it further
 - **Sec. 4. Appointments; convening of committee. Resolved:** That all appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this resolve. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative Council once all appointments have been completed. After appointment of all members, the chairs shall call and convene the first meeting of the committee. If 30 days or more after the effective date of this resolve a majority of but not all appointments have been made, the chairs may request authority and the Legislative Council may grant authority for the committee to meet and conduct its business; and be it further

1 2 3 4	Sec. 5. Duties. Resolved: That the committee shall study and plan the disposition of the 3 district courthouses in York County to be vacated when the courts are consolidated into one building in 2021 and of associated surplus state property; and be it further
5 6	Sec. 6. Staff assistance. Resolved: That the Legislative Council shall provide necessary staffing services to the committee; and be it further
7 8 9	Sec. 7. Report. Resolved: That, no later than December 6, 2017, the committee shall submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations, including suggested legislation, for presentation to the Second Regular Session of the 128th Legislature.
10 11	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.
12	SUMMARY
13 14 15 16	This resolve establishes the Study Committee To Develop a Disposition Plan for Future Surplus State Property in York County to study and plan the disposition of the 3 district courthouses in York County to be vacated when the courts are consolidated into one building in 2021 and of associated surplus state property.