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NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Paine of Portland by request.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

RESOLVE Providing for a Citizens Tax Committee.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, it is vitally necessary that a solution of the problem of the inequitable tax structure of the state of Maine be resolved during the present legislative session; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature this fact creates an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and requires the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Governor to appoint Citizens Tax Committee. Resolved: That the governor of the state of Maine be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to appoint a Citizens Tax Committee consisting of 15 citizens of the state of Maine. The duty of this committee shall be to consolidate the present information on the tax structure and revenue requirements of the state of Maine, to make a written report of their findings and their recommendations for tax legislation to the governor and legislature not later than April 12, 1949. The members of this committee shall serve without pay, but any expenses incurred in the compilation of the report shall be paid for by the state of Maine; provided such expenses do not exceed \$5,000.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.