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Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.  
Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Vaughan of Hallowell.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-THREE

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**RESOLVE, to Provide for Studying Winter Sports  
Development Potentialities.**

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**Winter sports development potentialities. Resolved:** That the sum of \$10,000 be and hereby is appropriated from the general fund for the purpose of study and survey of possible major winter sports developments in Maine. Said study shall be conducted by experts in the field of recreational planning under the joint auspices of the Maine development commission and the state park commission. Funds shall not lapse until the purpose of this resolve has been accomplished.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

In the past 5 years our neighboring states of New Hampshire and Vermont have attracted thousands of out-of-state winter sports fans to major developments within their borders. At the same time they have provided healthful recreational opportunities for their own citizenry.

That winter sports in these states have become a major factor in their total recreation industry is well known. In fact, overcrowding of existing

facilities has demonstrated the need for additional developments of a similar nature.

In the belief that Maine has great potentialities in this field, because of climate, topography, and because of our vacationland emphasis, it seems reasonable that the state be asked to aid in its promotion. This resolve will provide funds to determine most suitable areas for future expansion based on such factors as snow cover, terrain, temperatures, transportation, accessibility, lodging accommodations, and the like, to serve the greatest numbers of participants, resident and non-resident, be they novices or experts.