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**LAWS**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**

AS PASSED BY THE

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

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J.S. McCarthy Co., Inc.  
Augusta, Maine  
1985

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**RESOLVES**  
OF THE  
**STATE OF MAINE**  
AS PASSED AT THE  
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of consumers' groups, rather than providers of those services; and be it further

Meetings, reports, staff and compensation. Resolved: That the commission shall meet at least 12 times as a committee of the whole and at such other times in subcommittees as necessary. The commission shall examine data from Maine and other states, use consultants and recognized experts as appropriate, conduct public hearings and prepare a report which shall be distributed throughout the State and submitted, together with any accompanying legislation, to the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The commission shall, at its first meeting, elect one of its members to serve as chairman. All members of the commission shall be appointed within 30 days of the effective date of this resolve, with the first meeting of the commission to take place within 45 days of the effective date.

The commission shall be provided with all necessary independent staff assistance and receive information about problems and services from all appropriate offices of State Government.

Legislative members of the commission shall receive a per diem compensation and all members shall receive compensation for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties; and be it further

Appropriation. Resolved: That the sum of \$9,800 be appropriated from the General Fund to the legislative account in fiscal year 1986 for Maine Commission on the Role of State Government in Providing Independent Living Opportunities and Services to Disabled Persons to carry out the purpose of this resolve.

Effective September 19, 1985.

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## CHAPTER 45

H.P. 74 - L.D. 95

Resolve, Creating a Joint Select Committee on  
Economic Development.

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 role of the Federal Government with respect to the several states and the economies of these states is changing rapidly which has a great impact upon economic development in each state; and

Whereas, the several states are taking initiatives of their own to promote economic growth and development which has a significant impact upon all the states, in general; and

Whereas, there exists within the State significant opportunities for economic growth and development, particularly as a result of the attitudes and work ethics of Maine's labor force, the attractiveness of Maine's environment, the structure of Maine businesses and the enterprising nature of Maine people; and

Whereas, in order to realize economic growth and development consistent with the small business structure of the Maine economy, the assets of the State and the needs and wants of Maine people, it is necessary to determine the most effective means to accomplish this end; and

Whereas, there are a number of economic development organizations in numerous activities that have a substantial impact upon economic development in Maine; and

Whereas, it is necessary for the State to invest prudently and efficiently in the promotion and encouragement of economic growth and development in order to realize the State's economic potential; and

Whereas, State Government has limited resources to invest in the promotion and encouragement of economic growth and development; and

Whereas, it is essential for a study committee to begin as soon as possible to examine the issues raised by the changing role of the Federal Government, competition of other states in economic development, the diverse activities of the several economic developments and other agencies of the State and the State's limited resources for investment in economic growth and development; 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

Joint Select Committee on Economic Development; established. Resolved: That the Joint Select Committee on Economic Development, referred to as the committee, is established to consist of the following 15 persons: Five members appointed by the President of the Senate, of whom 4 may be Senators and at least one person who represents the private sector; 5 members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, of whom 4 may be Representatives and at least one person who represents the private sector; and 5 members appointed by the Governor of whom 2 members represent State Government and 3 members represent the private sector; and be it further

Resolved: That members of the committee, including Legislators and excepting representatives of executive agencies or departments, be paid a per diem at the same rate as Legislators, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2. Legislators serving on the committee shall not be paid a per diem for committee meetings while the Legislators are collecting legislative per diem; and be it further

Resolved: That members representing the private sector shall be paid at a rate normally paid to state employees for expenses, including travel, meals and lodging for meetings and hearings of the committee. Legislative members of the committee shall be paid expenses, as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 3, section 2, for meetings and hearings held outside Augusta while the Legislature is in session. When the Legislature has adjourned, the legislative members shall be paid the statutorily defined expenses for meetings and hearings held in or outside Augusta. Members representing executive agencies or departments shall be paid expenses from the budget of the agency or department that the members represent; and be it further

Resolved: That the committee undertake the following tasks but shall not be limited to these tasks:

1. A study of the Maine economy to determine:
  - A. The most effective role for State Government in economic growth and development;
  - B. Priorities for economic development activities of State Government;
  - C. The needs of small business in Maine, particularly capital availability on reasonable terms and at reasonable rates; and

D. The need for advocacy of small business in the State;

2. The changing role of the Federal Government, the current impact of this changing role on the Maine economy and possible impacts in the Maine economy in the future;

3. The economic development activities undertaken directly or sponsored by state governments in other states; and

4. An analysis showing how the State compares with other states with respect to economic development promotion and encouragement; and be it further

Resolved: That the commission shall hold an organizational meeting, called by the Chairman of the Legislative Council, within 30 days of the effective date of this Act and shall elect a chairman and a vice-chairman at that meeting from any of the members. At the first meeting, the committee shall develop an approach and a schedule by which the purpose and issues as set forth in this order may be achieved and determine the location of each hearing held to obtain information for the formulation of an economic development strategy and economic development goals and objectives; and be it further

Resolved: That the committee hold a minimum of 4 hearings throughout the State at a time convenient to the public to obtain information for an economic development strategy and for economic development goals and objectives for Maine. The committee may hold hearings in a manner deemed practicable to submit proposals to the public for public evaluation; and be it further

Resolved: That all agencies and departments of State Government shall cooperate with the committee and shall expeditiously provide the committee with the information and materials that it needs; and be it further

Resolved: That the committee may contract for services within the constraints of its budget; and be it further

Resolved: That the Legislative Council shall allocate from the Legislative Account, money deemed sufficient by the council to achieve the purposes of this resolve. The Legislative Administrative Director, at each scheduled meeting except public hearings, shall provide the committee with an account of

the money expended by the committee and the remaining money available for use by the committee up to the date of each meeting. Members of the committee shall submit their vouchers of expenses no later than 2 weeks from the date the expense is incurred in order to qualify for reimbursement; and be it further

Resolved: That the Legislative Council shall provide a minimum of one person to help staff the committee; and be it further

Resolved: That the committee make its final report including recommended legislation to the 112th Legislature on February 3, 1986; and be it further

Appropriation. Resolved: That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

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Personal Services	\$ 800
All Other	<u>3,200</u>
The money is provided for public hearings comprised of 4 sub- committee members and for computer ser- vices.	
Total	\$4,000

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

Effective June 27, 1985.

**CHAPTER 46**

H.P. 1053 - L.D. 1529

**Resolve, Concerning the Establishment of a  
Social Services Transportation Review  
Committee.**

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