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STATE OF MAINE

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RESOLVES
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1. With input provided by the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Department of Education:

A. Identify existing innovative educational programs and Maine businesses wishing to work with educators; and

B. Provide clearinghouse information to teachers, school systems, businesses, researchers and others requesting information on exemplary educational programs;

2. Create regional committees of teachers, business and labor leaders, higher education representatives and private citizens to assist teachers in the development of global and economic education in school programs and curricula;

3. Sponsor exhibits of exemplary school programs and help teachers develop resources for development;

4. Coordinate and, when practicable, collaborate on programs sponsored by the Maine Council on Economic Education and the Maine Development Foundation;

5. Encourage the development of new international exchange programs; and be it further

Sec. 4. Report. Resolved: That the committee shall report annually to the Legislature and the Governor the results of its efforts, including any recommendations to further the purpose of the committee. The committee shall submit a final report to the Legislature, the Governor and the Office of the Executive Director of the Legislative Council no later than September 30, 1994. The committee may submit implementing legislation with any annual report; and be it further

Sec. 5. Staff. Resolved: That organizations whose members serve on the committee may provide staff support to the committee, including any clerical support and technical assistance the committee may need to make grant proposals; and be it further

Sec. 6. Funding; compensation. Resolved: That interested persons and organizations may provide outside sources of funding to finance the activities of the Maine Committee for Global Education. The Legislative Council shall administer any outside funds acquired for the conduct of the study. Expenditures may not be incurred that have an impact on the General Fund. Expenditures may not be incurred relative to this study unless the outside sources of funding have been received by the Legislative Council. Members of the committee are entitled to expenses from any such funding; and be it further

Sec. 7. Repeal. Resolved: That this resolve is repealed on June 30, 1995.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 35

S.P. 697 - L.D. 1862

Resolve, to Establish a Commission to Arrange for the Display of the Flags of Maine's Desert Storm Units in the Hall of Flags of the State House

Sec. 1. Commission established. Resolved: That a commission is established to arrange for the display in the Hall of Flags in the State House of the flags of the Maine units that participated in the Persian Gulf War; and be it further

Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved: That the commission consists of the following 6 members: two members representing the Disabled American Veterans; 2 members representing the American Legion; and 2 members representing the Veterans of Foreign Wars to be nominated by their organizations and confirmed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

Sec. 3. Duties. Resolved: That the commission shall develop a plan to make arrangements to have the flags of the Maine units that participated in the Persian Gulf War displayed in the Hall of Flags. The commission shall submit its plan to the Legislative Council for review and approval.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 36

H.P. 1310 - L.D. 1892

Resolve, to Establish a Commission to Investigate Census Data Irregularities

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 federal decennial census data collected in 1990 appear to contain irregularities in its population counts for certain towns in the State; and

Whereas, these irregularities need to be examined with dispatch and resolved as soon as possible; and

Whereas, appeals may need to be filed before the expiration of the 90-day period; 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. Commission established. Resolved: That the Commission to Investigate Census Data Irregularities is established; and be it further

Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved: That the commission consists of the following 9 members: two members appointed by the President of the Senate, 2 members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, 2 members appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, 2 members appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives and one member appointed by the other 8 members, who shall serve as chair of the commission; and be it further

Sec. 3. Appointments; meetings. Resolved: That all appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this resolve. The Executive Director of the Legislative Council must be notified by all appointing authorities once the selections of the 8 appointed members have been made. When the appointments of these members have been completed, the Chair of the Legislative Council shall call and convene the first meeting of the commission no later than August 1, 1991; and be it further

Sec. 4. Duties. Resolved: That the commission shall study the census data for the State compiled in the Federal Decennial Census of 1990 to identify any irregularities and to recommend appropriate corrective action, if any.

1. In conducting the study the commission shall examine the following questions:

- A. Whether census data for the State appear to have been compiled accurately and correctly;
- B. Whether data maintained by the State or its subdivisions conflict with the census data; and
- C. Whether corrective action can be taken to remedy any discovered irregularities.

2. In examining these questions, the commission may:

A. Obtain all information it determines necessary from any agency or subdivision of the State;

B. Meet at such times and places as the commission determines necessary and hold informational sessions for discussions with knowledgeable persons;

C. Procure and analyze relevant data;

D. Conduct legal research and prepare opinions on legal questions within the scope of the study; and

E. Determine and summarize the legislative actions undertaken in other jurisdictions related to issues within the scope of the study; and be it further

Sec. 5. Staff assistance. Resolved: That the commission shall request staffing assistance from the Legislative Council; and be it further

Sec. 6. Reimbursement. Resolved: That members of the commission are not entitled to reimbursement for expenses; and be it further

Sec. 7. Report. Resolved: That the commission shall submit its report, together with any necessary implementing legislation, to the Second Regular Session of the 115th Legislature no later than April 1, 1992.

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

Effective June 21, 1991.

CHAPTER 37

S.P. 675 - L.D. 1789

Resolve, to Extend the Reporting Deadline of the Commission on Maine Lakes

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 Legislature, in Resolve 1989, chapter 100, created the Commission on Maine Lakes to study current and future threats to the quality of Maine lakes, which was to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources by January 31, 1991; and

Whereas, an extension is needed by the commission to adequately report its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; and