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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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1. Deficiencies in the curriculum of the technical colleges;
2. Deficiencies in funding and equipment at the technical colleges generally and within specific courses and programs;
3. Locations of technical colleges and the possible need for new colleges; and
4. Other deficiencies and factors that result in long lists of students awaiting admission to the colleges; and be it further

Sec. 2. Study to be overseen by a committee. Resolved: That the study required in section 1 of this resolve must be overseen by a committee of 5 persons staffed by technical college personnel. The committee, known as the Technical College Study Committee, consists of the following:

1. One member appointed by the Governor;
2. One member appointed by the President of the Senate;
3. One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
4. One member appointed by the President of the Maine Technical College System; and
5. One member who is chosen by the other 4 committee members and is the chair of the committee; and be it further

Sec. 3. Reimbursement. Resolved: That members of the Technical College Study Committee may be compensated for their expenses by the Maine Technical College System. General Fund revenues may not be expended to support the work of the committee; and be it further

Sec. 4. Report completed. Resolved: That the Technical College Study Committee shall submit its report, including any necessary legislation, to the First Regular Session of the 117th Legislature and the Governor no later than November 1, 1994.

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CHAPTER 56

S.P. 486 - L.D. 1497

Resolve, to Require Further Information from the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation about the Plan for

Persons in the Criminal Justice System

Whereas, over the past several years, the movement to deinstitutionalize patients from mental hospitals has resulted in the release of patients from the Augusta Mental Health Institute and the Bangor Mental Health Institute; and

Whereas, sufficient alternative community treatment and living facilities for persons released from those state institutions do not exist; and

Whereas, in the absence of adequate community treatment resources, many persons with mental illness, mental retardation and head injury have become prisoners in county jails; and

Whereas, it is essential to establish interdisciplinary teams for evaluation, to create a forensic holding unit and to develop dispositional alternatives in an effort to prevent inappropriate incarceration; and

Whereas, the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation's document, "Recommendations and Report of the Task Force on Persons with Mental Disorders Involved with the Criminal Justice System," does not address all the issues posed in this resolve and does not supply funding information; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Forensic holding unit; evaluation; assessment. Resolved: That the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Department of Corrections shall jointly develop a proposal to create a secure forensic holding unit for prisoners, staffed by an interdisciplinary team of representatives from both departments and including psychiatric health care professionals. Under the proposal, the forensic holding unit must have sufficient personnel and equipment to fully evaluate prisoners for mental illness, mental retardation and head injury; and be it further

Sec. 2. Alternatives to incarceration. Resolved: That the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Department of Corrections shall review the current availability of community treatment resources and alternatives to incarceration and shall develop a proposal for dispositional alternatives that judges may use in sentencing persons who, based on forensic reports, have mental illness, mental retardation or head injury; and be it further

Sec. 3. Submission of proposals. Resolved: That the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Department of Corrections shall submit proposals, along with any necessary implementing legislation, to the Joint Standing

Committee on Human Resources, the Joint Select Committee on Corrections and the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary no later than December 1, 1994; and be it further

Sec. 4. Preparation of responses; cost estimate. Resolved: That the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Department of Corrections shall utilize the document "Recommendations and Report of the Task Force on Persons with Mental Disorders Involved with the Criminal Justice System" and such additional research necessary to formulate responses to the issues posed in this resolve and that the response must include a cost estimate required to implement the recommendations.

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CHAPTER 57

S.P. 627 - L.D. 1746

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory

Sec. 1. State Tax Assessor authorized to convey real estate. Resolved: That the State Tax Assessor is authorized to convey by sale the interest of the State in real estate in unorganized territory as noted in this resolve. The sale, except as otherwise directed in this resolve, must be made to the highest bidder subject to the following provisions:

1. Notice of the sale be published 3 times prior to the sale, once each week for 3 consecutive weeks in some newspaper in the county where the real estate lies; except in those cases in which the sale is to be made to a specific individual or individuals as authorized in this resolve, in which case notice need not be published; and

2. A parcel may not be sold for less than the amount as authorized in this resolve. If identical high bids are received, the bid postmarked earliest is considered the highest bid.

If bids in the minimum amount recommended in this resolve are not received after the notice, the State Tax Assessor may sell the property for not less than the minimum amount, without again asking for bids, if the property is sold on or before March 1, 1995.

Employees of the Bureau of Taxation and members of the immediate family of employees of the Bureau of Taxation are barred from acquiring from

the State any of the real property subject to this resolve.

The State Tax Assessor, upon receipt of payment as specified in this resolve, shall record the deed in the appropriate registry at no additional charge to the purchaser, before sending the deed to the purchaser.

Abbreviations, plan and lot references are identified in the 1993 State Valuation.

T4 R3 WELS, Aroostook County

Map AR006, Plan 01, Lot 2 (038200056)

Richard Burton Building

TAX LIABILITY

1991	\$44.00
1992	Paid
1993	53.08
1994 (estimated).....	<u>53.08</u>
Estimated Total Taxes.....	\$150.16
Interest.....	7.69
Costs.....	16.00
Deed.....	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$181.85

Recommendation: Sell to Richard Burton for \$181.85. If he does not pay this amount within 60 days of the effective date of this resolve, sell to the highest bidder for not less than \$200.00.

T10 R4 WELS, Aroostook County

Map AR018, Plan 01, Lot 1 (038100046)

Sherwood & Donna Blanchard..... Building

TAX LIABILITY

1991	\$ 26.62
1992	26.18
1993	32.12
1994 (estimated).....	<u>32.12</u>
Estimated Total Taxes.....	\$117.04
Interest.....	6.08
Costs.....	16.00
Deed.....	<u>8.00</u>
Total	\$147.12

Recommendation: Sell to Sherwood & Donna Blanchard for \$147.12. If they do not pay this