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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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Except the chair, any task force member who is unable to attend a task force meeting may be represented at the meeting by a person named by that member; and be it further

Sec. 3. Meetings; chair; confidential information. Resolved: That the task force shall meet by April 15, 1996 and after that date as necessary to accomplish its duties. All meetings of the task force are public meetings within the meaning of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, chapter 13, subchapter I. All information confidential to a resident or nursing facility must be maintained as confidential by the task force. At the beginning of its work, the task force shall convene at least one meeting at which interested parties and the general public are invited to address the task force; and be it further

Sec. 4. Staffing. Resolved: That the department shall provide staffing assistance to the task force; and be it further

Sec. 5. Voluntary service. Resolved: That members of the task force serve without compensation or reimbursement of any type; and be it further

Sec. 6. Reports. Resolved: That the task force shall submit to the Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources an interim report by July 15, 1996 and a final report by November 15, 1996. The final report must contain suggestions for changes in rules and the necessary legislation to accomplish the recommendations of the task force. Changes in practice or amendment of departmental rule to accomplish the purposes of this resolve may be made prior to the final report date.

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

Effective April 3, 1996.

CHAPTER 72

H.P. 1310 - L.D. 1794

Resolve, Directing the Land and Water Resources Council to Take Steps Needed to Ensure Successful Implementation of State Land Use Law Reforms

Preamble. Whereas, the 116th Legislature established the Land and Water Resources Council, in part as a means to ensure coordinated, efficient and effective implementation of state land use and environmental laws; and

Whereas, by Resolve 1995, chapter 21, the 117th Legislature directed the Land and Water Resources Council to develop alternatives to the site location of development laws, which protect the environment, and to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of those laws; and

Whereas, in fulfilling its obligations under Resolve 1995, chapter 21, the Land and Water Resources Council recognizes the need to assess the impact of development sprawl on the fiscal resources of municipal and state government and the State's natural resources; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Cost of development. Resolved: That the Land and Water Resources Council shall conduct a review of state, regional and municipal policies, programs and other activities that influence the cost of development, redevelopment and related public services and affect land use and development patterns. The Land and Water Resources Council shall recommend measures, such as impact fees, differential tax incentives and cumulative impact criteria that will encourage development patterns that are more compact and less costly to taxpayers; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report to the Legislature. Resolved: That the Land and Water Resources Council shall report recommendations made pursuant to section 1, including any proposed legislation, as part of its January 1997 annual report.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 73

H.P. 1335 - L.D. 1829

Resolve, to Name a Portion of Highway in Millinocket in Honor of Prisoners of War and Those Designated as Missing in Action and to Name Portions of Roads That Follow the St. George River

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 erection of the sign designating part of Route 157 in Millinocket as a "POW-MIA Highway" will take place on Memorial Day; 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 preserva-