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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**  
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**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**NON-EMERGENCY LAWS IS**  
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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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Governor; one representative of the fire insurance industry appointed by the Governor; one member from the Maine Prosecutors Association appointed from among its members; one member of the law enforcement community appointed by the Maine Chiefs of Police Association; 4 fire chiefs, 2 from the Northern Division and 2 from the Southern Division, appointed by the Executive Board of the Maine Fire Chiefs Association and one Legislator representing the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House; and be it further

**Sec. 3. Convening of study group. Resolved:** That the Chair of the Legislative Council shall call the first meeting of the study group between the 30th and 45th days following the effective date of this resolve. A quorum is a majority of the members; and be it further

**Sec. 4. Selection of chair. Resolved:** That the study group shall select a chair from among the members at the first meeting; and be it further

**Sec. 5. Staffing. Resolved:** That the Department of Public Safety shall provide staffing and clerical support to the study group; and be it further

**Sec. 6. Compensation. Resolved:** That the members of the study group serve without per diem or expenses; and be it further

**Sec. 7. Report. Resolved:** That the study group shall submit its report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice by March 1, 1998. If the study group requires an extension, it may apply to the Legislative Council, which may grant the extension.

See title page for effective date.

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## CHAPTER 11

### H.P. 209 - L.D. 273

#### **Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Marine Resources to Report on the Status of Discussions with the Passamaquoddy Tribe**

**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 Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources has found it essential to receive a report by May 1, 1997 on discussions with the Passamaquoddy Tribe regarding the State's salt water licensing laws; 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. Commissioner to report. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Marine Resources, or the commissioner's designee, shall report by May 1, 1997 to the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources concerning the status of ongoing discussions between representatives of the Joint Tribal Council of the Passamaquoddy Tribe and of the State of Maine with respect to the taking of marine resources by members of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, including any proposed amendments to the laws administered by the Department of Marine Resources.

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

Effective March 28, 1997.

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