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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE
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IN ACCORDANCE WITH MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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department shall permit people with disabilities who are on Medicaid who work at least 10 hours per week and whose employers do not offer health insurance coverage or whose health insurance coverage does not meet their health needs to purchase coverage under the Medicaid program. The waiver may also provide for the purchase of Medicaid coverage for children with disabilities whose parents work. The waiver must provide for a sliding scale fee based upon income and must be revenue-neutral. The waiver must provide that any savings be used to increase coverage for persons with disabilities. The department may adopt rules required to implement the waiver program in accordance with this resolve. Rules adopted under this resolve are routine technical rules for purposes of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

1997-98

**HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Bureau of Medical Services

All Other	\$50,000
Provides funds to support a portion of the estimated cost of applying for a Medicaid waiver.	

Sec. 3. Allocation. The following funds are allocated from the Federal Expenditure Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

1997-98

**HUMAN SERVICES,
DEPARTMENT OF**

Bureau of Medical Services

All Other	\$50,000
Provides funds to support a portion of the estimated cost of applying for a Medicaid waiver.	

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CHAPTER 60

S.P. 556 - L.D. 1682

Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Transportation to Propose an Adopt-A-Highway Program

Preamble. Whereas, 48 states currently have Adopt-A-Highway programs to remove litter from state highways; and

Whereas, the Adopt-A-Highway program represents a unique opportunity to encourage local organizations to voluntarily clean the State's highways; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1. Commissioner of Transportation duties. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Transportation shall review the Adopt-A-Highway programs of other states and propose a plan for implementing a similar program in Maine that encourages local organizations to assist with litter removal from the State's highways; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Transportation shall report the proposal, along with any necessary implementing legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation no later than February 1, 1998; and be it further

Sec. 3. Committee authority. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation may, by unanimous or majority vote of the committee, report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 118th Legislature on an Adopt-A-Highway program.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 61

H.P. 1344 - L.D. 1895

Resolve, to Direct the State Board of Education to Study the School Funding Formula

Sec. 1. Committee to study school funding formula. Resolved: That the State Board of Education shall establish a committee to study the school funding formula. The state board shall appoint 10 members to the committee, and the committee shall also coordinate its work with the state board committee studying essential programs and services. Each member appointed must be impartial and have extensive knowledge of public education and school finance policies in the State. In appointing members to the committee, the state board shall give proper consideration to achieving statewide geographical