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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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CHAPTER 69**H.P. 1144 - L.D. 1621****Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 270: Uniform Reporting System for Quality Data Sets, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization**

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 Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A requires legislative authorization before major substantive agency rules may be finally adopted by the agency; and

Whereas, the above-named major substantive rule has been submitted to the Legislature for review; and

Whereas, immediate enactment of this resolve is necessary to record the Legislature's position on final adoption of the rule; 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. Adoption. Resolved: That final adoption of Chapter 270: Uniform Reporting System for Quality Data Sets, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Maine Health Data Organization that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized.

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

Effective May 31, 2005.

CHAPTER 70**S.P. 401 - L.D. 1173****Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State To Design a Pilot Program for Early Voting**

Sec. 1. Secretary of State to design pilot program for early voting. Resolved: That the Secretary of State shall design a pilot program for

early voting for the general election to be held in November 2008. The Secretary of State shall select one municipality that is willing and able to be the pilot municipality and may select an additional municipality or municipalities to participate in the pilot program at the discretion of the Secretary of State and with the consent of the municipalities. In designing the pilot program, the Secretary of State may consult with other states that have early voting laws in order to use best practices of those states; and be it further

Sec. 2. Reporting date established. Resolved: That the Secretary of State shall submit a report by February 15, 2007 to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over legal and veterans affairs detailing the plan for conducting a pilot program for early voting and outlining any issues of concern. The committee shall review the plan and by May 1, 2007 may submit legislation to the First Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature to authorize the Secretary of State to conduct the pilot program for the November 2008 general election.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 71**H.P. 911 - L.D. 1313****Resolve, To Evaluate the Possibility of a Moose Hunt in Southern Maine**

Sec. 1. Report to Legislature. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall evaluate the possibility of a moose hunt in southern Maine and shall submit a report based on that evaluation, including necessary implementing legislation, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over inland fisheries and wildlife matters no later than December 1, 2006. The joint standing committee may submit a bill based on the report to the First Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 72**S.P. 430 - L.D. 1251****Resolve, To Establish a System for Verification of Proficiency for Prelingually Deaf Candidates for Teacher Certification**

Sec. 1. Rules; certification. Resolved: That the State Board of Education shall amend