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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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to final adoption of the rule in accordance with this section.

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

Effective June 3, 2005.

CHAPTER 90

H.P. 47 - L.D. 51

Resolve, To Encourage Parents To Choose To Dedicate a Portion of Child Support Payments to College Investment Accounts

Sec. 1. Encouragement of college investment accounts. Resolved: That the Treasurer of State, in consultation with the Department of Health and Human Services, the Family Law Advisory Commission and the Judicial Department, shall research methods of increasing the use of college investment accounts by parents who do not provide the primary residence for their children and who are paying child support, without affecting the resources available to provide for the current support needs of the children. By January 15, 2006, the Treasurer of State shall report the results of the research to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary and shall include any recommendations and suggested legislation. The Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary has authority to report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 122nd Legislature.

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CHAPTER 91

H.P. 81 - L.D. 105

Resolve, Concerning Temporary Guardianship Laws

Sec. 1. Convene working group on temporary guardianship laws. Resolved: That the Department of Health and Human Services convene a working group that includes, but is not limited to, representatives of the Disability Rights Center and the Probate Courts to review the laws and practices concerning temporary guardianships to determine if wards are adequately protected and the due process afforded to wards is adequate. The working group shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary by January 15, 2006 with findings and

recommendations. The Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary may submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 122nd Legislature in response to the report.

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CHAPTER 92

S.P. 482 - L.D. 1393

Resolve, To Direct the Department of Conservation To Seek Public Access to Certain Prominent Water Bodies

Sec. 1. Access to swift rivers. Resolved: That the Department of Conservation shall discuss with landowners and seek negotiations to acquire public access for all recreational uses to launching points on the Dead River and Kennebec River and the roads leading to the launching points, including, but not limited to, the Dead River Road located in West Forks Plantation, Lower Enchanted Township and T3 R5; and the Indian Pond Road, also known as the Harris Station Road, located in The Forks, Moxie Gore, East Moxie Township, Squaretown Township and Indian Stream Township. The department may seek money from the Land for Maine's Future Fund or the Public Access to Maine Waters Fund to acquire access via easements or fee acquisitions. The department may seek access via leases or other means using other funding sources; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report to Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. Resolved: That the Department of Conservation shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry no later than January 6, 2006 on the status of discussions and negotiations for access to launch sites on the Dead River and Kennebec River; and be it further

Sec. 3. Legislation authorized. Resolved: That the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may report out a bill relating to public access to the Kennebec River and Dead River to the Second Regular Session of the 122nd Legislature.

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