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OF THE
STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED BY THE

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**RESOLVES OF THE STATE OF MAINE
AS PASSED AT
THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
2015**

**CHAPTER 55
H.P. 996 - L.D. 1454**

**Resolve, Reauthorizing the
Balance of the 2009 Bond Issue
for Land Conservation
Projects**

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 Treasurer of State may not sell the remaining bonds authorized but not yet issued from the Land for Maine's Future Board bond issue authorized by the voters in November 2010 unless the Legislature reauthorizes the issuance of those bonds; and

Whereas, the Land for Maine's Future Board requires the funds to meet its obligations for previously authorized land conservation projects with state, municipal and private entities and to fulfill its obligations under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 353 in order to protect public recreational opportunities, farmland and the State's environment; 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. Extension for issuing. Resolved: That, pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 14, the period for issuance of unissued bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized pursuant to Public Law 2009, chapter 414, as amended by Public Law 2009, chapter 645, and authorized by the voters in a statewide election held on November 2, 2010, for land conservation purposes, is extended for a 5-year period.

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

Effective February 3, 2016.

**CHAPTER 56
S.P. 619 - L.D. 1571**

**Resolve, To Name a Bridge
between Atkinson and Sebec
the Captain John "Jay"
Brainard Gold Star Memorial
Bridge**

Sec. 1. Bridge on Stagecoach Road between Atkinson and Sebec named. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation shall name the bridge on Stagecoach Road spanning the Piscataquis River between the Town of Atkinson and the Town of Sebec the Captain John "Jay" Brainard Gold Star Memorial Bridge, to honor the memory of United States Army Captain John "Jay" Brainard, who was killed in action in Afghanistan in 2012 during Operation Enduring Freedom; and be it further

Sec. 2. Signs erected. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation shall erect appropriate signs on both sides of the bridge along Stagecoach Road to identify the bridge as the Captain John "Jay" Brainard Gold Star Memorial Bridge.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 57
H.P. 967 - L.D. 1421**

**Resolve, Directing the
Treasurer of State To Study
the Most Effective Options for
Maine Residents To Participate
in Tax-advantaged Savings
Accounts for Persons with
Disabilities**

Sec. 1. Treasurer of State to study options for participation in federal Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2014. Resolved: That the Treasurer of State shall review federal law under the Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2014 relating to the establishment of tax-advantaged qualified savings programs for the benefit of qualified individuals with disabilities. The Treasurer of State shall research relevant federal regulations and the experience of other states that have established savings programs pursuant to the federal law and submit a report