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bids or sell directly to a purchaser. The commissioner may reject any offer.

Sec. 6. Right of first refusal. Resolved: That the Town of East Millinocket has the right of first refusal to purchase the state property at the broker opinion of value determined pursuant to section 5. The commissioner shall provide written notice to the clerk of the Town of East Millinocket of the intent to sell the state property and the terms of sale. The Town of East Millinocket has 90 days to notify the commissioner in writing whether the Town of East Millinocket will purchase the state property at the broker opinion of value. The Town of East Millinocket has 60 days from the date of invoking its right of first refusal to complete the purchase of the state property.

Sec. 7. Proceeds. Resolved: That any proceeds from the sale of the state property pursuant to this resolve must be deposited into the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services' capital repair and improvement account for capital improvements.

Sec. 8. Repeal. Resolved: That this resolve is repealed 5 years from its effective date.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 77

H.P. 1048 - L.D. 1436

Resolve, Directing Coordinated State Agencies To Engage with the Governing Leaderships of Portland Pipe Line Corporation and Montreal Pipe Line Limited for Sustainability-centered Repurposing of Stranded and At-risk Infrastructure Assets in Maine

Sec. 1. Coordinated state agencies to engage with the governing leaderships of Portland Pipe Line Corporation and Montreal Pipe Line Limited for sustainability-centered repurposing of stranded and at-risk infrastructure assets in Maine. Resolved: That the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Governor's Energy Office in coordination shall engage directly with the executive and board leaderships of the Portland Pipe Line Corporation and Montreal Pipe Line Limited parent companies Suncor Energy, Shell Oil Company and Imperial Oil Limited to examine opportunities for repurposing the Portland-Montreal pipeline and related real estate holdings in the State, including consideration of a redevelopment strategy and revenue model acceptable to those com-

panies' investors in accordance with the companies' own sustainability goals. The asset to be addressed by the examination is the pipeline itself, which is to be examined for repurposing as a conduit for high-voltage electric transmission lines. The examination of repurposing must consider opportunities for existing Portland Pipe Line Corporation and Montreal Pipe Line Limited employees to direct their efforts toward the technical and management opportunities created by repurposing of the pipeline.

The scope of work under this section may include coordination with other state agencies and local jurisdictions as well as coordination with regulators in New Hampshire, Vermont and the provincial government of Quebec, Canada.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That no later than February 15, 2020, the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Governor's Energy Office shall submit a joint report on the efforts undertaken pursuant to this resolve to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 78

H.P. 1003 - L.D. 1382

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Study and Develop a State Plan for Computer Science Instruction and Professional Development

Sec. 1. Study and development of state plan for computer science instruction and professional development. Resolved: That the Department of Education shall study and develop a plan for implementing computer science instruction in schools and shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, no later than January 1, 2020, that includes the following:

1. An overview of how computer science courses and curricula are being implemented in schools;
2. A state plan for instruction in computer science in public preschool to grade 12 that includes the development of standards, clarifies how instruction in computer science may be applied toward graduation requirements, provides equitable access to computer science instruction across the State and provides for instruction in computer science in all high schools by 2022 and in all grades by 2025;
3. A professional development plan for educators that includes training in computer science and a component that includes peer-to-peer training in computer science; and

4. An estimate of the funding levels necessary to implement the plans in subsections 2 and 3.

The Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs may submit a bill relating to the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 79

S.P. 625 - L.D. 1841

Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation To Create a Working Group To Study Barriers to Credentialing

Sec. 1. Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation to create a working group to study credentialing. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation shall create a working group to study barriers to credentialing of:

1. Skilled individuals who have foreign credentials; and
2. Holders of professional and occupational licenses in other states.

The commissioner shall appoint to the working group no fewer than 8 and no more than 10 persons who represent licensing boards and professional organizations served by the licensing boards of professions in the State for which there is a need for and an opportunity to credential skilled individuals with foreign credentials and those with out-of-state licenses. The working group shall consider and develop recommendations for alternative pathways for skilled individuals with foreign credentials to be credentialed in the State and shall review options for license portability for out-of-state licensees.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, by January 15, 2020, the working group created pursuant to section 1 shall submit a report of the working group's progress along with any recommendations and suggested legislation to the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation. The commissioner shall submit the report with any recommendations and suggested legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business by February 15, 2020. The committee may report out a bill relating to the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature. In the event the working group or the commissioner requires additional time to complete the work, the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation,

Development, Economic Advancement and Business may extend the reporting deadline.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 80

H.P. 107 - L.D. 125

Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Convey Certain Lands to Roosevelt Conference Center Doing Business as Eagle Lake Sporting Camps

Preamble. The Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 23 requires that real estate held by the State for conservation or recreation purposes may not be reduced or its uses substantially altered except on the vote of 2/3 of all members elected to each House.

Whereas, certain real estate authorized for conveyance under this resolve is under the designations described in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 598-A; and

Whereas, the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may sell or exchange lands with the approval of the Legislature in accordance with Title 12, sections 1837 and 1851; and

Whereas, Aroostook County has experienced significant economic reductions over the last 20 years, with an unemployment rate higher than the state average, an aging workforce and a declining population; and

Whereas, an existing business, Eagle Lake Sporting Camps, established in 1889 and located on Eagle Lake Public Reserve Lands east of Route 11, desires to invest significantly in its business to grow into a year-round operation and to upgrade facilities and improve amenities, thus stimulating the economy, creating jobs and increasing local and state tax revenues; and

Whereas, such investment would not be feasible nor would such a commitment be made without the acquisition of fee simple ownership of sufficient land to develop and expand the business and without the lease of additional adjoining land to support a modern wilderness destination resort; and

Whereas, the subject land is now used as a developed commercial sporting camp property, and no vital conservation land or wildlife habitat nor outdoor recreation opportunities, such as hunting and fishing, are affected by the change in land ownership, and the investment permitted by this conveyance would in-