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**CHAPTER 36
H.P. 520 - L.D. 831**

**Resolve, Directing the
Department of Inland Fisheries
and Wildlife to Examine Issues
Related to Moose Hunting
Seasons**

Sec. 1. Examination. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall establish a stakeholder group to examine issues and make recommendations related to the timing and length of moose hunting seasons and strategies to reduce conflicts during moose hunting seasons.

Sec. 2. Stakeholder group. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall invite participation from at least the following:

1. A Senate member of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;
2. A House member of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;
3. A member of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 10151;
4. A member of a statewide organization representing professional guides;
5. A member of a statewide organization representing sporting camp owners;
6. A representative of a large private landowner;
7. A representative of an entity managing recreational access in the North Maine Woods;
8. A member of a statewide organization representing trappers;
9. A representative of the moose viewing industry;
10. A representative of the tourism industry;
11. A representative of municipal interests;
12. A representative of a statewide association representing hunters;
13. A Maine game warden; and
14. A department wildlife biologist.

The department may hold public meetings to gauge public support for any recommendations that are developed by the stakeholder group.

Sec. 3. Report. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall report on any findings and recommendations resulting from the examination under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2024. The committee may report out a bill related to the

subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

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**CHAPTER 37
H.P. 536 - L.D. 847**

**Resolve, to Study
Implementation of a Program
to Provide Trauma-informed
Training for Law Enforcement
Officers at the Maine Criminal
Justice Academy**

Sec. 1. Maine Criminal Justice Academy, study. Resolved: That the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy shall conduct a study and develop recommendations regarding the implementation at the academy of a program to provide trauma-informed training for law enforcement officers. In conducting the study and developing recommendations based on findings from the study, the board shall consult with behavioral health providers and with other persons and organizations with experience and expertise in trauma-informed training as necessary. No later than February 15, 2024, the board shall submit a report containing the findings and recommendations of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. After reviewing the report, the committee may report out legislation relating to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

As used in this section, "trauma-informed training" means training to recognize the presence of trauma symptoms and to acknowledge the role that trauma can play in people's lives, including by engaging with individuals with histories of trauma.

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**CHAPTER 38
H.P. 593 - L.D. 946**

**Resolve, Directing the
Department of Labor to
Amend Its Rules Regarding
Adjunct Faculty at Public
Colleges and Universities**

Sec. 1. Department of Labor to amend rules. Resolved: That the Department of Labor shall amend its rules in Chapter 14: Education Institution Employees. The rules must provide clarity and guidance on when adjunct faculty members at the State's institutions of higher education may qualify for unemployment benefits. The Department of Labor shall hold