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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 851, L.D. 1168, “Resolve, To Improve Maine's Response to Childhood Trauma”

Amend the resolve by inserting before section 1 the following:

'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 task force on childhood trauma response guidance, established by this resolve, is convened to develop guidance for kindergarten to grade 12 administrators on appropriate training and responses to childhood trauma; and

Whereas, the study must be initiated before the 90-day period expires in order that the study may be completed and a report submitted in time for submission to the next legislative session; 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'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the first paragraph in the last line (page 1, line 5 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "shall" the following: 'consult with any other task force or work group convened by the Department of Education whose work may inform the work of this task force and'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 1 in the first line (page 1, line 6 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Mandated training" and inserting the following: 'Training'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 1 in the next to the last line (page 1, line 8 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "requiring" and inserting the following: 'regarding'

Amend the resolve in section 1 in subsection 4 in the first line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "mandated"

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 Amend the resolve by adding before the summary the following:

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

4 Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
5 section number to read consecutively.

6 **SUMMARY**

7 This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause and directs the
8 task force convened by the Commissioner of Education, in developing guidance for
9 kindergarten to grade 12 administrators on appropriate training and responses to
10 childhood trauma, to consult with any other task force or work group convened by the
11 Department of Education whose work may inform the work of this task force. The
12 amendment also removes the requirement that the training and social and emotional
13 learning curriculum developed by the task force be mandated.

14 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

15 **(See attached)**