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Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Study the Creation of a State and Federal Fish and Wildlife Museum at the Massabesic Experimental Forest in Alfred and Lyman

(EMERGENCY)

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TUTTLE of York. Cosponsored by Representative SHAW of Standish and Senators: DUTREMBLE of York, HASKELL of Cumberland, Representatives: EVANGELOS of Friendship, GUERIN of Glenburn, LIBBY of Waterboro, MARKS of Pittston, SHORT of Pittsfield, WOOD of Sabattus.

- 1 **Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not 2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
- Whereas, this resolve establishes the Commission To Study the Creation of a State
 and Federal Fish and Wildlife Museum at the Massabesic Experimental Forest in Alfred
 and Lyman; and
- 6 **Whereas,** the study must be initiated before the 90-day period expires in order that 7 the study may be completed and a report submitted in time for submission to the next 8 legislative session; and
- 9 **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within 10 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as 11 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, 12 therefore, be it
- Sec. 1. Commission established. Resolved: That the Commission To Study
 the Creation of a State and Federal Fish and Wildlife Museum at the Massabesic
 Experimental Forest in Alfred and Lyman, referred to in this resolve as "the commission,"
 is established; and be it further
- Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved: That the commission consists of
 the following 13 members:
- Three members of the Senate who are members of the Joint Standing Committee
 on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- 2. Four members of the House of Representatives who are members of the Joint
 Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, appointed by the Speaker of the
 House;
- 24 3. Three members appointed by the Governor as follows:
- A. A member who is a representative of an organization that represents sportsmen of
 the State;
- B. A member who represents the trappers of the State; and
- C. A member of the public who has an interest in preserving, protecting and
 enhancing the inland fisheries and wildlife resources of the State;
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 4. The Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, or the
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 commissioner's designee;
- 5. The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, or the commissioner'sdesignee; and
- 34 6. The Director of the Division of Forestry within the Department of Agriculture,
 35 Conservation and Forestry, or the director's designee; and be it further

1 Sec. 3. Chairs. Resolved: That the first-named Senate member is the Senate 2 chair and the first-named House of Representatives member is the House chair of the 3 commission; and be it further

4 Sec. 4. Appointments; convening of commission. Resolved: That all appointments must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this 5 resolve. The appointing authorities shall notify the Executive Director of the Legislative 6 7 Council once all appointments have been completed. After appointment of all members, 8 the chairs shall call and convene the first meeting of the commission. If 30 days or more after the effective date of this resolve a majority of but not all appointments have been 9 made, the chairs may request authority and the Legislative Council may grant authority 10 for the commission to meet and conduct its business; and be it further 11

- Sec. 5. Duties. Resolved: That the commission shall study the possibility of
 creating a state and federal fish and wildlife museum to be located at the Massabesic
 Experimental Forest in the towns of Alfred and Lyman; and be it further
- 15 **Sec. 6. Staff assistance. Resolved:** That the Legislative Council shall provide 16 necessary staffing services to the commission; and be it further

17 Sec. 7. Report. Resolved: That, no later than December 4, 2013, the commission 18 shall submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations, including suggested 19 legislation, for presentation to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and 20 Wildlife. After receipt and review of the report, the joint standing committee may submit 21 a bill related to the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 22 126th Legislature.

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

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SUMMARY

This resolve establishes the Commission To Study the Creation of a State and Federal
Fish and Wildlife Museum at the Massabesic Experimental Forest in Alfred and Lyman.