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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 226, L.D. 792, “Resolve, Establishing a Task Force To Examine the Decline in the Number of Nonresident Hunters”

Amend the resolve by striking out all of sections 2 and 3 (page 1, lines 5 to 20 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

**Sec. 2. Participants. Resolved:** That the department shall invite the following to participate in the task force under section 1:

- 1. Three guides and 3 outfitters selected by an organization identified by the department that represents professional guides;
- 2. One representative of the Maine Tourism Commission selected by the Department of Economic and Community Development;
- 3. One person from each tourism region selected by the Department of Economic and Community Development, Office of Tourism;
- 4. One marketing director from the department, selected by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;
- 5. The Director of the Office of Tourism within the Department of Economic and Community Development; and
- 6. One nonresident sportsman selected by a statewide sportsmen's organization; and be it further

**Sec. 3. Duties. Resolved:** That the task force under section 1 shall:

- 1. Review the numbers of nonresident hunters over the last 5 years;
- 2. Review national trends regarding nonresident hunters over the last 5 years; and
- 3. Develop recommendations to increase the numbers of nonresident hunters in the future; and be it further'

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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**SUMMARY**

The bill required that an unspecified number of guides and outfitters be invited to participate in the task force. This amendment specifies that an organization identified by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is invited to select 3 guides and 3 outfitters for the task force. It clarifies that the Department of Economic and Community Development shall select one representative from the Maine Tourism Commission, and it adds the Director of the Office of Tourism to the membership of the task force. This amendment also adds to the duties of the task force the examination of national trends regarding nonresident hunters over the last 5 years.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**