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**Resolve, To Establish the Advisory Committee To Update Rules
Regulating Commercial Whitewater Rafting**

(EMERGENCY)

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

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Presented by Representative McCABE of Skowhegan.

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

3 **Whereas,** the Advisory Committee To Update Rules Regulating Commercial
4 Whitewater Rafting is created in this resolve to review and propose updates to the rules
5 regulating commercial whitewater rafting; and

6 **Whereas,** the advisory committee must be established before the 90-day period
7 expires in order that the review may be completed and a report submitted in time for
8 submission to the next 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

13 **Sec. 1. Advisory Committee To Update Rules Regulating Commercial**
14 **Whitewater Rafting established. Resolved:** That, notwithstanding Joint Rule 353,
15 the Advisory Committee To Update Rules Regulating Commercial Whitewater Rafting,
16 referred to in this resolve as "the advisory committee," is established; and be it further

17 **Sec. 2. Advisory committee membership. Resolved:** That the advisory
18 committee consists of 11 members appointed as follows:

19 1. Five members appointed by the President of the Senate as follows:

20 A. One member of the Senate;

21 B. One member from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, from a list of
22 nominees provided by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;

23 C. One member who represents a commercial whitewater outfitter that receives
24 allocations pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, chapter 929;

25 D. One member who represents a small commercial whitewater outfitter; and

26 E. One member who represents the interests of the fishing community; and

27 2. Six members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as
28 follows:

29 A. Two members of the House of Representatives;

30 B. One member from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, from a list of
31 nominees provided by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;

32 C. One member who represents a commercial whitewater outfitter that does not
33 receive allocations;

34 D. One member who represents a large commercial whitewater outfitter; and

35 E. One member who represents the interests of landowners along the inland waters
36 of the State; and be it further

