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**STATE OF MAINE
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125TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 171, L.D. 579, “Resolve, To Study the Creation of a School of Hospitality and Hotel Management within the University of Maine System”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting 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 tourism industry is the top industry in the State, employing over 150,000 Maine people; and

Whereas, the University of Maine System does not currently offer a hospitality and hotel management baccalaureate degree program at any of the universities within the system; and

Whereas, this resolve needs to take effect before the expiration of the 90-day period so that the required reports may be submitted in time; 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

Sec. 1. Stakeholder group. Resolved: That the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System shall convene a stakeholder group to explore the creation of a hospitality and hotel management baccalaureate degree program within the system. The stakeholder group shall include, but is not limited to, representatives of the following:

1. The University of Maine System;
2. The Maine Community College System;
3. The Department of Economic and Community Development, Office of Tourism;
4. The Maine Tourism Association;

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

