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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 687, L.D. 1092, “An Act to Expand Services for Women Who Experience Gender-based Trauma and Violence”

Amend the amendment by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, To Establish an Ad Hoc Committee to Address the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children'

Amend the amendment by striking out everything after the 2nd instructional paragraph and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Ad hoc committee establishment required. Resolved: That, no later than November 1, 2023, the Department of Health and Human Services shall establish an ad hoc committee. The ad hoc committee shall make recommendations addressing the intervention in and prevention of commercial sexual exploitation of children. For the purposes of this section, "commercial sexual exploitation of children" means any activity involving the sexual abuse or sexual exploitation of a child for the financial benefit of any person or in exchange for anything of monetary or nonmonetary value given or received by any person. The ad hoc committee must include representatives of the department, child advocacy centers, community-based agencies with expertise working with commercially sexually exploited children and a statewide coalition of sexual assault centers. By January 1, 2025, the department shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters with any recommendations from the ad hoc committee.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and requires the Department of Health and Human Services to establish an ad hoc committee to make recommendations

SENATE AMENDMENT

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1 addressing the intervention in and prevention of commercial sexual exploitation of children
2 and report to the Legislature by January 1, 2025.

3 **SPONSORED BY:** _____

4 **(Senator ROTUNDO, M.)**

5 **COUNTY: Androscoggin**