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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 665, L.D. 1029, “Resolve, to Establish a Commission to Commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the Founding of the United States”

Amend the resolve in section 2 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "16" and inserting the following: '17'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 15 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 27 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "and"

Amend the resolve in section 2 in subsection 16 in the first line (page 1, line 28 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Governor." and inserting the following: 'Governor; and'

Amend the resolve in section 2 by inserting after subsection 16 the following:

'17. One member, appointed by the Speaker of the House, who is a member of a federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or band in the State based on the joint recommendation of the tribal governments of the Mi'kmaq Nation, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Motahkomikuk, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Sipayik and the Penobscot Nation. If these tribal governments do not make a unanimous joint recommendation, the Speaker of the House shall appoint a member of a federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or band in the State and rotate the appointment among each federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or band in the State in accordance with section 3.'

Amend the resolve in section 2 in the last paragraph in the first line (page 1, line 29 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "16" and inserting the following: '17'

Amend the resolve in section 3 in the last line (page 1, line 36 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "appointment." the following: 'If the member who represents a federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or band in the State appointed under section 2, subsection 17 is not the unanimous joint recommendation of the tribal governments, the member appointed serves coincident with the term of the Legislature during which the member was appointed but may continue to serve until the member's replacement is appointed. The Speaker of the House, in making subsequent appointments under section 2, subsection 17,

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1 shall rotate the appointment among each federally recognized Indian nation, tribe or band
2 in the State.'

3 Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 4 and inserting the following:

4 **'Sec. 4. Appointments; chair; convening of commission. Resolved:** That,
5 notwithstanding Joint Rule 353, all appointments must be made no later than 30 days
6 following the effective date of this resolve. The appointing authorities shall notify the
7 Executive Director of the Legislative Council and the Secretary of State once all
8 appointments have been completed. When appointment of all members is complete, the
9 Secretary of State shall call and convene the first meeting of the commission no later than
10 December 1, 2023. If 30 days or more after the effective date of this resolve a majority of
11 but not all appointments have been made, the first appointed Senate member and the first
12 appointed House of Representatives member may request authority and the Legislative
13 Council may grant authority for the commission to meet and conduct its business. The
14 Secretary of State shall name 5 members to constitute an executive committee, which shall
15 act as chair of the commission. The Secretary of State, with advice from the commission,
16 also may appoint honorary members and shall establish an advisory council composed of
17 people who are especially interested in the celebration of the United States
18 Semiquincentennial.'

19 Amend the resolve by inserting after section 12 the following:

20 **'Sec. 13. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved:** That the following
21 appropriations and allocations are made.

22 **LEGISLATURE**

23 **Legislature 0081**

24 Initiative: Appropriates funds for the ongoing costs of 2 members of the Legislature serving
25 on the Commission to Commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the Founding of the United
26 States.

27	GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
28	Personal Services	\$330	\$330
29	All Other	\$1,200	\$1,200
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31	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$1,530	\$1,530

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

35 **SUMMARY**

36 This amendment adds to the Maine Semiquincentennial Commission a tribal
37 representative appointed by the Speaker of the House representing the Mi'kmaq Nation, the
38 Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Motahkomikuk, the
39 Passamaquoddy Tribe at Sipayik and the Penobscot Nation. The amendment requires the
40 Secretary of State to call the first meeting and gives the first appointed Senate member and
41 the first appointed House of Representatives member the authority to request permission

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1 from the Legislative Council to meet and conduct its business when a majority of members
2 have been appointed. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)