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Resolve, To Conduct a Feasibility Study for Extending Passenger Rail Service from Brunswick through Augusta and Waterville to Bangor

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on January 25, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative O'CONNELL of Brewer and
Senator: CHIPMAN of Cumberland, Representatives: CARDONE of Bangor, DOORE of
Augusta, DUNPHY of Old Town, SUPICA of Bangor, WHITE of Waterville.

Sec. 1. Rail service to Bangor. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority and interested municipalities and planning organizations, shall conduct a feasibility study and develop a plan to implement passenger rail service from Brunswick through Augusta and Waterville to Bangor along existing railroad corridors.

Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT OF

Multimodal – Passenger Rail Z139

Initiative: Provides one-time funding for a feasibility study and plan to implement passenger rail service from Brunswick through Augusta and Waterville to Bangor along existing railroad corridors.

HIGHWAY FUND	2021-22	2022-23
All Other	\$300,000	\$0
HIGHWAY FUND TOTAL	\$300,000	\$0

18 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority and interested municipalities and planning organizations, to conduct a feasibility study and develop a plan to implement passenger rail service from Brunswick through Augusta and Waterville to Bangor along existing railroad corridors. It provides an allocation of \$300,000 in one-time funds in fiscal year 2021-22 to fund the feasibility study and plan.