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

**'Resolve, To Develop a Watercraft Safety Education Plan'**

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

**'Sec. 1 Develop a watercraft safety education plan. Resolved:** That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall develop a watercraft safety education plan in consultation with stakeholders and interested parties to provide watercraft operators with a basic understanding about the safe operation of watercraft. For the purposes of this resolve, "watercraft" has the same meaning as in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 13001, subsection 28; and be it further

**Sec. 2 Report. Resolved:** That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall report its watercraft safety education plan and any findings and recommendations with draft implementing legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by no later than January 5, 2010. The joint standing committee may report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature regarding the report.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to develop a watercraft safety education plan in consultation with stakeholders and interested parties to provide watercraft operators with a basic understanding about the safe operation of watercraft. It also provides that the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife must report its watercraft safety education plan and any findings and recommendations with draft implementing legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by no later than January 5, 2010. This amendment gives that committee the authority to report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature regarding the report.