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House of Representatives, January 20, 2011

**Resolve, Directing the Department of Education To Explore Options
To Increase Participation in the University of Southern Maine's
Extended Teacher Education Program**

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Clerk

Presented by Representative BOLDUC of Auburn.

1 **Sec. 1. Evaluation. Resolved:** That the certification office within the
2 Department of Education shall evaluate the Extended Teacher Education Program at the
3 University of Southern Maine, referred to in this section as “the program,” and explore
4 options to increase the participation of graduate students preparing for a teaching career
5 in the program. Options may include, but are not limited to, increasing the public
6 visibility of the program, increasing outreach to current teachers and students in teacher
7 training programs, increasing public school participation in the program, expanding
8 additional funding and other resources for the program and increasing public and private
9 financial support for students in the program. The certification office shall by January 15,
10 2012 submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs
11 with recommendations that identify the most practical ways to increase participation in
12 the program.

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SUMMARY

14 This resolve directs the certification office within the Department of Education to
15 evaluate the Extended Teacher Education Program at the University of Southern Maine
16 and recommend options for increasing participation in the program.