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Resolve, to Study the Effects of Artificial Intelligence, Cellular Telephones and Social Media on Public Education

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Cosponsored by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland and
Representatives: CLOUTIER of Lewiston, DODGE of Belfast, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard
Beach, LOOKNER of Portland, MURPHY of Scarborough, SALISBURY of Westbrook,
SARGENT of York, Senator: RAFFERTY of York.

Sec. 1. Department of Education to study the impacts of artificial intelligence, cellular telephones and social media on public education. Resolved: That the Department of Education shall establish a working group to study and make recommendations regarding the use of artificial intelligence, cellular telephones and social media within public school settings. The Commissioner of Education shall select members of the working group and include relevant stakeholders. No later than December 3, 2025, the working group shall submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations, including suggested legislation, for presentation to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The joint standing committee may report out a bill related to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

11 SUMMARY

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