

## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND AND THIRTEEN

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**Resolve, Directing the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission To  
Review Maine's Probate Code and the Uniform Probate Code**

**Preamble.** **Whereas**, the current Probate Code was enacted in 1980 based on the Uniform Probate Code in effect at that time; and

**Whereas**, since its original adoption in 1980 the Uniform Probate Code has been substantially revised by the Uniform Law Commission, including an update adopted in 1990, technical and substantive amendments adopted in 2008 and technical amendments adopted in 2010 and refined in 2011; and

**Whereas**, it is in the best interest of Maine citizens and residents to have up-to-date statutes consistent with those of other states and that address issues that arise in today's social and technological environment; and

**Whereas**, the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission is authorized to examine and evaluate the operation of the Probate Code and recommend changes; now, therefore, be it

**Sec. 1. Review. Resolved:** That the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission established under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 73-B is directed to conduct a review of the current Probate Code and the latest Uniform Probate Code and develop legislative recommendations based on the review. The Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission shall invite the participation of interested parties in the review and in the development of recommendations; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission shall submit a report regarding the review in section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary no later than December 1, 2013, together with any necessary implementing legislation, for presentation to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature. The Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission is authorized to submit a bill related to its report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.