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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 68, L.D. 132, “Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study the Constitution of Maine”

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 2 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 2. Commission membership. Resolved: That, notwithstanding Joint Rule 353, the commission consists of 16 voting members as follows:

- 1. Four members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, including members from each of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature;
- 2. Four members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House, including members from each of the 2 parties holding the largest number of seats in the Legislature;
- 3. One constitutional law scholar with expertise in the history of the Constitution of Maine or member of the Maine State Bar Association who has substantial practice experience with legal issues related to the Constitution of Maine appointed by the President of the Senate;
- 4. One member representing the Maine Municipal Association appointed by the President of the Senate;
- 5. One member representing law enforcement in the State appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- 6. One representative of the state chapter of a national civil liberties organization appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- 7. The Secretary of State or the Secretary of State's designee;
- 8. The Governor or the Governor's designee; and
- 9. Two members of federally recognized Indian tribes in the State appointed by the Governor. The Governor shall appoint these members based on the joint recommendations of the tribal governments of the Mi'kmaq Nation, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians,

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1 the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Motahkomikuk, the Passamaquoddy Tribe at Sipayik and the
2 Penobscot Nation.

3 The chairs of the commission shall invite the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial
4 Court to designate a member of the judicial branch to serve as a nonvoting member of the
5 commission in an advisory capacity.'

6 Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
7 section number to read consecutively.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This amendment changes the membership of the Commission to Study the Constitution
10 of Maine established in the resolve by adding:

- 11 1. One member representing the Maine Municipal Association;
- 12 2. One member representing law enforcement in Maine;
- 13 3. The Governor or the Governor's designee; and
- 14 4. Two members of federally recognized Indian tribes in the State, appointed by the
15 Governor based on the joint recommendations of the federally recognized Indian tribes.

16 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
17 **(See attached)**