## 130th Maine Legislature

Resolve, To Authorize Maine as the Nonfederal Sponsor with the United States Army
Corps of Engineers for the Shore Damage Mitigation Project in Saco
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Sec. 1. Nonfederal sponsorAssist and Support the City of Saco in reaching an Agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers forre Construction of the shore damage mitigation projectShore Damage Mitigation Project in Saco\_Bay. Resolved: -That the Governor shall take all actions necessary to cause the State to become assist and support the City of Saco in the City of Saco's role as the nonfederal sponsor with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) under the federal River and Harbor Act of 1968, Section 111, as amended, 33 United States Code, Section 426i, for the shore damage mitigation project for the Saco River and Camp Ellis Beach in Saco pursuant to the report dated July 2017 and known as Alternative 6. The Governor shall direct an appropriate agency to work with the City of Saco and the United States Army Corps of Engineers to provide a letter of intent that is satisfactory to the Federal Government for project authorization. The Governor shall take all steps necessary for the State to enter into a project partnership agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the construction of the project under this section.

The Governor shall take the steps necessary, including but not limited to directing the Attorney General, and any other agencies she deems appropriate, to work with the City of Saco and the ACOE to come to agreeable terms in a Project Partnership Agreement (PPA), yet to be drafted by the ACOE, to help ensure the construction of the project under this section, and to assist and support the communities on Saco Bay to implement this and other beach and habitat-saving remediation projects including dune planting and other proven methods which have been recommended by and are agreeable to the Maine Geologic Survey, thereby preventing the loss of habitat of the federally designated endangered Piping Plover.

## **SUMMARY**

This bill requires the Governor to take all steps necessary for the State toof Maine to assist the City of Saco, who will be the nonfederal sponsor, with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the shore damage mitigation project for the Saco River and Camp Ellis Beach in Saco<sub>7</sub> Bay.