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House of Representatives, February 8, 2011

Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Education To Convene a Task Force To Develop a Proposal for a More Equitable Distribution of Kindergarten to Grade 12 State Education Funding

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

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Presented by Representative MALABY of Hancock. Cosponsored by Senator LANGLEY of Hancock and

Representatives: DUNPHY of Embden, GILLWAY of Searsport, JOHNSON of Greenville, LONG of Sherman, MAKER of Calais, MOULTON of York, RIOUX of Winterport, TILTON of Harrington.

Sec. 1. Commissioner of Education to convene task force to study kindergarten to grade 12 school funding. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Education shall convene a task force to develop a proposal for a more equitable distribution of kindergarten to grade 12 state education funding. The commissioner shall invite the participation of representatives of interested parties, including school superintendents, business, coastal communities and inland communities; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That, no later than December 1, 2011, the Commissioner of Education shall submit the proposal developed by the task force along with any recommended legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. The Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs may submit a bill based on the proposal to the Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature.

13 SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Commissioner of Education to convene a task force to develop a proposal for a more equitable distribution of kindergarten to grade 12 state education funding.