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## **STATE OF MAINE**

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

# TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE

## H.P. 284 - L.D. 467

#### **Resolve, to Study Accessible Electric Vehicle Charging Stations**

**Sec. 1. Working group established. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Transportation shall convene a working group on accessible electric vehicle charging stations, referred to in this resolve as "the working group."

**Sec. 2. Working group membership. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Transportation shall appoint the members of the working group. The working group must include at least 9 members and include:

1. One person employed by the Department of Transportation;

2. One member representing the Efficiency Maine Trust;

3. One member representing Alpha One;

4. One member representing the Moving Maine Network;

5. One member who identifies as a person living with a disability with significant interest in or experience with the accessibility of electric vehicle charging stations;

6. One member representing the Department of Public Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal;

7. One member who is a contractor or representative of a contractor who manages or builds electric vehicle charging stations;

8. One member representing the Maine Municipal Association; and

9. One member representing a transmission and distribution utility.

**Sec. 3. Chairs. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Transportation shall appoint 2 chairs from the members appointed under section 2.

**Sec. 4. Appointments; convening of working group. Resolved:** That, appointments made under section 2 must be made no later than 30 days following the effective date of this resolve. After appointment of all members, the chairs shall call and convene the first meeting of the working group.

Sec. 5. Duties. Resolved: That the working group shall:

1. Develop a document that simplifies and standardizes the United States Access Board's Design Recommendations for Accessible Electric Vehicle Charging Stations for use by contractors and other parties interested in the design and installation of electric vehicle charging stations. The document may address accessibility of a charging station by a user, station aisle width and design, equipment placement, signs and other elements; and

2. Develop recommended standards for the accessibility of electric vehicle charging stations to persons with disabilities and how those standards may be best incorporated into local code standards.

Sec. 6. Staff assistance. Resolved: That the Department of Transportation shall provide necessary staffing services to the working group.

**Sec. 7. Report. Resolved:** That, no later than January 3, 2024, the Commissioner of Transportation shall submit to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation a report that includes the working group's recommendations, including suggested legislation. After reviewing the report, the joint standing committee may submit legislation relating to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.