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## Resolve, Establishing a Task Force To Examine the Decline in the Number of Nonresident Hunters

## Sec. 1 Task force to examine the decline in the number of nonresident hunters.

**Resolved:** That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, referred to in this resolve as "the department," shall establish a task force to examine the decline in the number of nonresident hunters; and be it further

**Sec. 2 Participants. Resolved:** That the department shall invite the following to participate in the task force under section 1:

1. Guides and outfitters selected by an organization that represents professional guides;

2. Tourism officials selected by the Maine Tourism Commission within the Department of Economic and Community Development;

3. One person from each tourism region selected by the Department of Economic and Community Development, Office of Tourism;

4. One marketing director from the department, selected by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; and

5. One nonresident sportsman selected by a statewide sportsmen's organization; and be it further

Sec. 3 Duties. Resolved: That the task force under section 1 shall:

1. Review the numbers of nonresident hunters over the last 5 years; and

2. Develop methods to increase the numbers of nonresident hunters in the future; and be it further

**Sec. 4 Report. Resolved:** That, by December 1, 2011, the department shall submit a written report of its findings and any recommendations under this resolve to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

## SUMMARY

This resolve authorizes the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to examine the decline in the number of nonresident hunters by establishing a task force consisting of guides and outfitters, tourism officials, a person from each tourism region, a marketing director from the department and a nonresident sportsman and a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by December 1, 2011.