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House of Representatives, January 31, 2019

**Resolve, Directing Professional Licensing and Certification Boards To Study the Barriers To Obtaining Professional Licensure and Certification** 

Reference to the Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative MORALES of South Portland. Cosponsored by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec and Representatives: ACKLEY of Monmouth, HYMANSON of York, MEYER of Eliot, SHARPE of Durham, Senator: CARPENTER of Aroostook.

Sec. 1. Review. Resolved: That each professional licensing and certification 1 2 board under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, in consultation with the Department of the Attorney General, shall undertake a thorough review of its rules and procedures and 3 survey its licensees and certificate holders and applicants for licensure or certification to 4 research barriers to obtaining licensure and certification, including existing deficiencies 5 in reciprocity provisions. Each board shall submit a report to the Joint Standing 6 Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business by 7 January 15, 2020 with its findings under this section and any proposed alterations to its 8 rules and procedures. The joint standing committee shall review the reports and suggest 9 changes to the licensing and certification boards, which may submit rules pursuant to 10 Title 5, chapter 375. The joint standing committee may submit legislation related to any 11 12 report under this section to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature.

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## SUMMARY

14 This resolve directs each professional licensing and certification board under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, in consultation with the Department of the Attorney 15 General, to undertake a thorough review of its rules and procedures and survey its 16 licensees and certificate holders and applicants for licensure or certification to research 17 barriers to obtaining licensure and certification, including existing deficiencies in 18 19 reciprocity provisions. Each board is directed to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business by 20 January 15, 2020 with its findings and any proposed changes to its rules and procedures. 21 The joint standing committee is directed to review and suggest alterations to the licensing 22 and certification boards, which may submit rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375. The 23 joint standing committee is authorized to submit legislation related to any report under 24 this section to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature. 25