

~~'Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services To Sell or Lease for Veterans' Housing the Interests of the State in Hedin Hall at the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center and To Establish a Task Force To Examine Using Stevens School in Hallowell for Veterans' Housing'~~

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Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting the following:

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Further amend the resolve by inserting after section 7 the following:

**'Sec. 8 Department of Administrative and Financial Services to establish a task force. Resolved:** That the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services shall establish a task force to examine the use of excess state property at its Stevens School campus in Hallowell for veterans' housing. The task force shall review the following issues relating to veterans' housing:

1. Whether the City of Hallowell supports such a use;
2. Whether the state agencies on the campus can be relocated to other state-owned or state-leased facilities at costs and at locations that serve the agencies' operational needs and missions and are in the best interests of the State;
3. Whether statewide veterans' groups have the necessary resources to renovate existing buildings, some of which comprise a historic district;
4. Whether the historic features of buildings in the historic district can be preserved in connection with adaptive reuse as veterans' housing;
5. Whether the buildings are suitable for adaptive reuse;
6. Whether new construction sites are available within the boundaries of the Stevens School campus that would be suitable for veterans' housing or support facilities; and
7. Whether transportation systems are in place or could be in place for use by veterans residing at the Stevens School campus; and be it further

**Sec. 9 Membership; report. Resolved:** That the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services shall seek to include on the task force under section 8 the following members: the Mayor of Hallowell; one representative of the City Council of Hallowell; one representative of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services; one representative of the Bureau of General Services; 2 representatives of statewide veterans' groups; one representative of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Bureau of Veterans' Services; the legislative delegation representing the district that includes the City of Hallowell; one representative of the Office of the Governor; the Director of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission; and one representative of a local historic preservation group. The task force shall submit a report detailing its findings to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters by December 29, 2006; and be it further'

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Further amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

## **SUMMARY**

This amendment directs the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services to establish a task force to examine using excess state property at the Stevens School campus in Hallowell for veterans' housing. The task force is required to report its findings to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters by December 29, 2006.