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Amend the amendment by striking out the substitute title and replacing it with the following:

**'Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To  
Secure Funding To Complete Transportation Projects'**

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the emergency preamble (page 1, lines 17 to 34 and page 2, lines 1 to 4 in amendment) and inserting the following:

**Preamble. Whereas,** the Caribou and Presque Isle segments of the Aroostook North-South Highway have available and ready for use in construction over \$40,000,000 in federal funding through the provision of high priority project funding by the United States Congress since 2001; and

**Whereas,** the Governor executed an order in March 2009 directing the Department of Transportation to make the completion of these segments a priority, with construction of the Caribou segment to begin in 2010 and the Presque Isle segment to begin as soon as the approval of the Army Corps of Engineers is given; and

**Whereas,** the cities of Caribou and Presque Isle have unanimously resolved through their respective city councils to proceed with the construction of these segments; and

**Whereas,** through An Act To Secure Maine's Transportation Future, Public Law 2007, chapter 470, which took effect June 30, 2008, the Legislature listed the Aroostook North-South Highway as an extraordinary corridor, which now has a scope, priority and schedule for community consensus within the meaning of that Act; and

**Whereas,** the current available funding to complete the construction of both of these segments is insufficient; now, therefore, be it'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in the first line (page 2, line 5 in amendment) by striking out the following: "**Full project**" and inserting the following: '**Project**'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in the 2nd line (page 2, line 6 in amendment) by striking out the following: "full" and inserting the following: 'to the fullest extent possible'

Amend the amendment in section 1 in the 3rd line (page 2, line 7 in amendment) by striking out the following: "all"

Amend the amendment in section 1 in the last line (page 2, line 11 in amendment) by striking out the following: "partnerships." and inserting the following: 'partnerships. The department shall secure to the fullest extent possible funding for all projects listed in Public Law 2007, chapter 470, Part B, section 2 as significant new capacity projects of all modes and extraordinary bridge replacement, removal or rehabilitation projects.'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the emergency clause (page 2, lines 12 and 13 in amendment)

## **SUMMARY**

This amendment removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause from the committee amendment. The amendment also requires the Department of Transportation to secure to the fullest extent possible funding to complete the Aroostook North-South Highway project and to secure to the fullest extent possible funding for the projects listed as “significant new capacity projects of all modes and extraordinary bridge replacement, removal or rehabilitation projects” in Public Law 2007, chapter 470.