Resolve, To Study the Issue of Inheritance of Digital Assets

Sec. 1. Review. Resolved: That the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission established under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 73-B shall conduct a review of the legal impediments to the disposition of digital assets upon an individual's death or incapacity and develop legislative recommendations based on the review. The Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission shall invite the participation of interested parties in the review and in the development of recommendations. For purposes of this section, "digital assets" means electronically stored information, including but not limited to writings, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, sound recordings, images and other data or data compilations, stored in any medium from which information can be obtained; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission shall submit a report regarding the review under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary no later than December 1, 2013, together with any necessary implementing legislation. The Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary is authorized to report out a bill based on the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.