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House of Representatives, February 14, 2003

### **An Act To Provide Incentives for Municipalities To Adopt a Building Rehabilitation Code**

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

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Clerk

Presented by Representative KOFFMAN of Bar Harbor.  
Cosponsored by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook and  
Representatives: Speaker COLWELL of Gardiner, DUNLAP of Old Town, HUTTON of  
Bowdoinham, LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach, McLAUGHLIN of Cape Elizabeth,  
NORBERT of Portland, RICHARDSON of Brunswick, Senator: TREAT of Kennebec.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §4105** is enacted to read:

6 **§4105. Building rehabilitation code; incentives**

8 A municipality that adopts the most recent version of the  
10 building rehabilitation code that has been prepared by the  
12 International Code Council, the Building Officials and Code  
14 Administrators International or the National Fire Protection  
16 Association must be given preference for economic development  
18 grants administered by the Department of Economic and Community  
20 Development. The Department of Economic and Community  
22 Development, in coordination with the State Planning Office,  
24 shall adopt rules to implement this section. Rules adopted  
26 pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined  
in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

20 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill provides that a municipality that adopts the  
24 rehabilitation component of a nationally recognized building code  
26 must be given preference for economic development grants  
administered by the Department of Economic and Community  
Development.