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An Act To Improve Prevailing Wage Standards in Maine

Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket. Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland and Representatives: BURNS of Berwick, GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, HUTTON of Bowdoinham, JACKSON of Fort Kent, PARADIS of Frenchville, TUTTLE of Sanford, TWOMEY of Biddeford, Senator: BRYANT of Oxford.

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1314. as amended by PL 1997, c. 757, §11, is 4 further amended to read:

6 §1314. Exceptions

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8 Whenever a public works construction is built in whole or in part by federal funds and is under the jurisdiction of the 10 Davis-Bacon or other Federal-Act federal act that requires the Secretary of Labor to establish the minimum wage and benefits and those minimum wages and benefits are established by the Secretary 12 of Labor and are higher than the minimum wages and benefits under Maine law, sections 1304 to 1313 do not apply. If the minimum 14 wages and benefits established by the Secretary of Labor are not 16 higher than those established under Maine law, sections 1304 to 1313 apply. 18

SUMMARY

22 This bill clarifies that in publicly funded construction projects under the jurisdiction of the federal Davis-Bacon Act or 24 other federal act, minimum wages and benefits are the higher of the federal and state rates.