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1 L.D. 733 Date: 5/24/25(Filing No. H-236) 2 3 HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 4 Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. 5 STATE OF MAINE 6 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 7 132ND LEGISLATURE 8 FIRST SPECIAL SESSION COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 475, L.D. 733, "An Act to Make 9 Changes to the Law Based on a Pilot Project Conducted by the Maine State Housing 10 Authority Regarding Efforts to Improve Access to Credit for Low-income Renters" 11 12 Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following: 13 'Resolve, to Require the Maine State Housing Authority to Submit a Report on the Pilot Project to Improve Access to Credit for Low-income Individuals' 14 15 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following: 16 'Sec. 1. Report. Resolved: That, by June 30, 2026, the Maine State Housing 17 Authority shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Housing and Economic 18 Development with details on the authority's pilot project to facilitate rent payment history 19 reporting to credit reporting agencies for purposes of establishing or improving the credit 20 ratings of low-income residential tenants through voluntary participation of residential 21 landlords and tenants in the State in submitting rent payment histories of tenants. The report 22 must include details on the effectiveness of collecting and reporting rent payment histories, 23 an analysis of any improvement in the credit ratings of tenant participants and 24 recommended legislation to make the pilot project permanent. The joint standing 25 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over housing and economic development 26 matters may report out legislation based upon the report to the 133rd Legislature in 2027. 27 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section 28 number to read consecutively. **SUMMARY** 29 30 This amendment replaces the bill, which is a concept draft, with a resolve. It requires 31 the Maine State Housing Authority to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on 32 Housing and Economic Development, by June 30, 2026, about its pilot project to collect 33 and report tenant rent payment histories to appropriate credit reporting agencies with the 34 purpose of improving the credit ratings of low-income residential tenants. The joint 35 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over housing and economic

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| 1 | development matters has the authority to report out legislation based upon the report to the |
| 2 | 133rd Legislature in 2027. |
| 3 | FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED |
| 4 | (See attached) |

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An Act to Make Changes to the Law Based on a Pilot Project Conducted by the Maine State Housing Authority Regarding Efforts to Improve Access to Credit for Low-income Renters

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'A' (H-236)
Committee: Housing and Economic Development
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Maine State Housing Authority

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to Maine State Housing Authority to prepare and submit the required report can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.