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House of Representatives, March 11, 2025

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**An Act to Allow Municipal Fire Departments with Trained  
Personnel to Conduct Sprinkler Plan Reviews**

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Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative LOOKNER of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and  
Representatives: BLIER of Buxton, EATON of Deer Isle, Speaker FECTION of Biddeford,  
MALON of Biddeford, MORRIS of Turner, RIELLY of Westbrook, YUSUF of Portland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1377**, as amended by PL 1997, c. 728, §36, is further amended  
3 by enacting at the end a new paragraph to read:

4 The fire department of a municipality registered by the commissioner under Title 25,  
5 section 2448-A may conduct a plan review under this section if the municipal employee  
6 conducting the plan review meets the requirements of Title 25, section 2448-A, subsection  
7 2, paragraph B and the municipal fire department establishes a process for the review of a  
8 plan that includes the requirements of this section and a requirement of thorough evaluation  
9 of a plan to ensure compliance with all applicable codes and standards. If the municipality  
10 has reviewed and approved a plan that meets all the requirements of this section, the  
11 municipality may issue a permit to the fire sprinkler system contractor.

12 **SUMMARY**

13 This bill allows a municipal fire department to conduct a sprinkler plan review if the  
14 municipal employee conducting the review is certified as a plan reviewer by the National  
15 Fire Protection Association and the municipal fire department establishes a review process  
16 that includes a thorough evaluation of a plan to ensure compliance with all applicable codes  
17 and standards.