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Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation shall submit a report with any necessary proposed legislation regarding the independent assessment under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development. That committee is authorized to submit legislation on the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.

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CHAPTER 74 H.P. 860 - L.D. 1241

Resolve, Directing the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation To Conduct a Sunrise Review Regarding the Proposal To License Certain Mechanical Trades

Sec. 1. Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to conduct a sunrise review regarding the proposal to license certain mechanical trades. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation shall conduct an independent assessment pursuant to the sunrise review requirements in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapter 1-A, subchapter 2 of the proposal to license certain mechanical trades; and be it further

Sec. 2. Reporting date established. Resolved: That no later than February 15, 2010 the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation shall submit a report with any necessary legislation following the independent assessment under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development. That committee is authorized to submit legislation on the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.

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CHAPTER 75 H.P. 626 - L.D. 908

Resolve, To Encourage Regional Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy Initiatives

Sec. 1. Regional energy conservation and renewable energy initiatives. Resolved: That, in the administration of energy conservation and renew-

able energy programs and funding, the Public Utilities Commission shall encourage collaboration between municipalities of the State in the development and implementation of regional energy conservation and renewable energy projects. The commission shall ensure that energy conservation and renewable energy programs and funding administered by the commission for which municipalities are eligible incorporate opportunities for regional projects proposed by multiple municipalities. The commission shall require a proposal for a regional energy conservation project or renewable energy project to include information regarding the expected impact of the project on the electric load of the transmission and distribution utility or utilities serving the participating municipalities; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Public Utilities Commission shall, in the annual report due on December 1, 2009 under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 3211-A, subsection 11, report on its efforts to encourage regional energy conservation and renewable energy projects pursuant to section 1.

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CHAPTER 76 H.P. 829 - L.D. 1204

Resolve, To Develop a Watercraft Safety Education Plan

Sec. 1. Develop a watercraft safety education plan. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall develop a watercraft safety education plan in consultation with stakeholders and interested parties to provide watercraft operators with a basic understanding about the safe operation of watercraft. For the purposes of this resolve, "watercraft" has the same meaning as in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 13001, subsection 28; and be it further

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall report its watercraft safety education plan and any findings and recommendations with draft implementing legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by no later than January 5, 2010. The joint standing committee may report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature regarding the report.

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