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other state agencies, and federal, regional and local governmental entities, or with private institutions or persons. Notwithstanding Title 5, chapter 155 or rule of the State Purchasing Agent, the department may contract directly with the University of Maine for research work to be performed by university faculty.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to permit the Department of Marine Resources to contract with the University of Maine to provide necessary research services by university faculty. This allows the department flexibility in utilizing the unique resources of the university without having to establish a position within the department's staff or going to bid for each project contract.

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