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H.P. 173 House of Representatives, February 4, 1987
Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources suggested and ordered printed.
EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Speaker MARTIN of Eagle Lake.
Cosponsored by Representatives JACQUES of Waterville,
HOLLOWAY of Edgecomb and Senator USHER of Cumberland.

#### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Ensure that a Draft of Maine Land Use Regulation Commission's Decisions is Made Available to Interested Parties Prior to the Commission's Action on an Application.

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

12 MRSA §685-B, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Draft decisions. For those applications not delegated to the staff, and regardless of whether a hearing is held, the director shall, if requested by the applicant or any other interested party, prepare a draft decision and give reasonable notice to the applicant and to any other person who has notified the commission of his interest in the applica-

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tion, of the date the commission will act on the application. The draft decision shall be made available to the applicant and to all interested persons at the Augusta office of the commission at least 15 working days before the commission acts on this application.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that par-8 9 ties, who are interested in an application pending 10 before the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, have 11 a draft of the staff's recommended decision available to them a reasonable period of time prior to the com-12 13 mission's action on the application. Such a proce-14 dure is already a part of the Department of Environ-15 mental Protection's statutory rules for the processing of applications under the Maine Revised Statutes, 16 17 Title 38, section 344, subsection 1. The language of 18 this bill tracks the procedure set forth in section 344. 19

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