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Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket. Cosponsored by Representative MICHAUD of East Millinocket, Representative DEXTER of Kingfield and President PRAY of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE

An Act to Require the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to Return in a Timely Fashion Applications for the Approval of Permanent or Seasonal Structures That Have Been Destroyed by an Act of God.

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

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12 MRSA §685-B, sub-§10 is enacted to read:

5 10. Destruction of structures by acts of God; applications to rebuild. Any person who has built a permanent or seasonal structure after having received a permit issued by the commission 7 pursuant to this section, and whose structure has been destroyed g by an act of God, may file another application for approval to rebuild that structure pursuant to subsection 2. If the second 11 application for approval seeks to rebuild that structure subject to the same conditions as the original permit, the commission 13 shall render its decision concerning that application within 14 business days of the filing of the application. Any person 15 aggrieved by a decision of the commission may petition the commission for a hearing pursuant to subsection 3. For purposes of this section, "act of God" means any unforeseeable act 17 exclusively occasioned by the violence of nature without the 19 interference of any human agency.

STATEMENT OF FACT

25 This bill provides that a person who has built a permanent or seasonal structure after having been issued a permit from the 27 Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, and whose structure has been destroyed by an act of God, may file another application 29 with the commission to rebuild that structure. If that application seeks to rebuild the structure on the same terms as 31 the original permit, the commission shall render its decision within 14 business days of the filing of the application.