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House of Representatives, February 10, 2005

**An Act To Improve the Energy Efficiency of Buildings To Be
Owned or Occupied by the State**

Reference to the Committee on Utilities and Energy suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. MacFarland
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND
Clerk

Presented by Representative EDER of Portland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §122** is enacted to read:

6 **§122. Energy efficiency building code**

8 The commission shall adopt by rule an energy efficiency
10 building code for buildings to be owned or occupied by the
12 State. The energy efficiency building code must be consistent
14 with model building codes adopted by the State, including those
16 adopted pursuant to section 121 and Title 10, section 1415-D.
18 The commission shall require that, beginning with all
construction initiated on or after July 1, 2006, all buildings
constructed by the State or for occupancy by the State adhere to
the energy efficiency building code in the construction of the
building and installation of energy use systems. Rules adopted
pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined
in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

20 **SUMMARY**

22 This bill requires the Public Utilities Commission to adopt
24 an energy efficiency building code for use in the construction of
26 all buildings built by or for the occupancy of the State
beginning with construction initiated on or after July 1, 2006.
The commission is directed to adopt routine technical rules for
28 the energy efficiency building code.