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3 **Natural Resources**
4 **MINORITY**

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5 **STATE OF MAINE**
6 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
7 **122ND LEGISLATURE**
8 **SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "**B**" to H.P. 1481, L.D. 2090, Resolve, "Resolve,
10 Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 10: Significant Wildlife Habitat, a
11 Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife"

12 Amend the resolve in section 1 in the last line (page 1, line 18 in L.D.) by striking out
13 the following: "authorized." and inserting in its place the following: 'authorized only if
14 the rule is amended to provide that the definition of "shorebird coastal feeding area"
15 includes a zone of 250 feet around the feeding area; and be it further'

16 Further amend the resolve by inserting after section 1 the following:

17 '**Sec. 2. Adoption of rules. Resolved:** That rules concerning significant wildlife
18 habitat adopted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife that define habitat for
19 species appearing on the official state or federal lists of endangered and threatened
20 species and high and moderate value travel corridors are major substantive rules as
21 defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.'

22 **SUMMARY**

23 This amendment, which is the minority report, directs that the rule be amended to
24 provide that the definition of "shorebird coastal feeding area" includes a zone of 250 feet
25 around the feeding area. This change will make the rules of the Department of Inland
26 Fisheries and Wildlife and the rules of the Department of Environmental Protection
27 regarding significant wildlife habitat consistent with each other. The amendment also
28 requires that rules adopted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife that define
29 habitat for species appearing on the official state or federal lists of endangered and
30 threatened species and high and moderate value travel corridors are major substantive
31 rules.