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An Act To Require the Review of Utility Pole Placement during Road Improvement

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SMITH of Monmouth.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CAIN of Orono, CLEARY of Houlton, SIMPSON of
Auburn, VALENTINO of Saco.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §709** is enacted to read:

3 **§709. Utility pole placement**

4 The Department of Transportation shall review the placement of utility poles within
5 the right-of-way of a state highway or a state aid highway when that state highway or
6 state aid highway is reconstructed or substantially improved. This review must focus on
7 safety for motorists in the placement of utility poles.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill requires the Department of Transportation to review the placement of utility
10 poles within the right-of-way of a state highway or a state aid highway when that state
11 highway or state aid highway is reconstructed or substantially improved. This review
12 must focus on safety for motorists in the placement of utility poles.