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House of Representatives, February 17, 2009

An Act To Promote the Accessibility and Use of Reusable Bags

Reference to the Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative KNAPP of Gorham.
Cosponsored by Senator SIMPSON of Androscoggin and
Representatives: BOLDUC of Auburn, DUCHESNE of Hudson, SANBORN of Gorham,
TILTON of Harrington, WELSH of Rockport.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1611** is enacted to read:

3 **§1611. Cloth bags**

4 A retailer who has 30,000 square feet or more of retail sales area shall provide a bag
5 made out of cloth or other durable fabric to bag products at the point of retail sale to a
6 customer at the request of that customer and at no charge to the customer at least twice a
7 year.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill requires a retailer who has 30,000 square feet or more of retail sales area to
10 provide a bag made out of cloth or other durable fabric to bag products at the point of
11 retail sale to a customer at the request of that customer and at no charge to the customer at
12 least twice a year.