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### **STATE OF MAINE** HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES **124TH LEGISLATURE**

### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to H.P. 626, L.D. 908, "Resolve, To Authorize Efficiency Maine To Conduct a Pilot Conservation Program" 10

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Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting the following:

#### 12 'Resolve, To Encourage Regional Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy 13 **Initiatives'**

14 Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary 15 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Regional energy conservation and renewable energy initiatives. **Resolved:** That, in the administration of energy conservation and renewable energy programs and funding, the Public Utilities Commission shall encourage collaboration between municipalities of the State in the development and implementation of regional energy conservation and renewable energy projects. The commission shall ensure that energy conservation and renewable energy programs and funding administered by the commission for which municipalities are eligible incorporate opportunities for regional projects proposed by multiple municipalities. The commission shall require a proposal for a regional energy conservation project or renewable energy project to include information regarding the expected impact of the project on the electric load of the transmission and distribution utility or utilities serving the participating municipalities; and be it further

28 Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Public Utilities Commission shall, in the 29 annual report due on December 1, 2009 under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, 30 section 3211-A, subsection 11, report on its efforts to encourage regional energy 31 conservation and renewable energy projects pursuant to section 1.'

#### SUMMARY

33 This amendment replaces the resolve. The amendment directs the Public Utilities 34 Commission to encourage collaboration between municipalities in the development and 35 implementation of regional energy conservation and renewable energy projects. The

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1 2 amendment requires the commission to report on its efforts to encourage such projects as part of its December 1, 2009 annual report on conservation programs.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

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## **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



## **124th MAINE LEGISLATURE**

LD 908

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Resolve, To Authorize Efficiency Maine To Conduct a Pilot Conservation Program

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "" Committee: Utilities and Energy Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### **Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The additional costs to the Public Utilities Commission associated with encouraging collaboration between municipalities in the development and implementation of regional energy conservation and renewable energy projects and other administrative costs can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.