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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
125TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “*A*” to H.P. 5, L.D. 13, “ Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 316: Long-Term Contracting and Resource Adequacy, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission”

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 1 (page 1, lines 14 to 18 in resolve) and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved: That final adoption of portions of Chapter 316: Long-Term Contracting and Resource Adequacy, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Public Utilities Commission that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A, is authorized, but only if the rule is amended as follows:

1. Section 6(D) is amended to clarify that contracts may include renewable energy credits and that payments will be made only after contracted amounts of capacity, related energy or renewable energy credits have been provided; and
2. Section 6(D) is further amended to include the exceptions relating to contract payments in Title 35-A, section 3210-C, subsection 9, paragraphs A and B.'

SUMMARY

This amendment conditionally authorizes a major substantive rule of the Public Utilities Commission, Chapter 316: Long-Term Contracting and Resource Adequacy. The Public Utilities Commission is directed to amend the rule to clarify that contracts may include renewable energy credits and that payments will be made only after contracted amounts of capacity, related energy or renewable energy credits have been provided, except for the exceptions provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 3210-C, subsection 9, paragraphs A and B.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 316: Long-Term Contracting and Resource Adequacy, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any minor costs to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to amend portions of Chapter 316 to clarify that contracts may include renewable energy credits and that payments will be made only after contracted amounts of capacity, related energy or renewable energy credits have been provided except in certain situations provided for in 35-A MRSA §3210-C(9)(A) and (B) can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.