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House of Representatives, January 27, 2011

An Act To Exempt Seasonally Restricted Cottages from the Newly Adopted Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Clerk

Presented by Representative CHASE of Wells.
Cosponsored by Senator COLLINS of York and
Representatives: FLOOD of Winthrop, PRESCOTT of Topsham, ROTUNDO of Lewiston,
Senator: ROSEN of Hancock.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §9724, sub-§4**, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 699, §6, is amended
3 to read:

4 **4. Exception.** This section does not prohibit the adoption or enforcement of an
5 ordinance of any political subdivision that sets forth provisions for local enforcement of
6 building codes. The requirements of the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code do
7 not apply to:

8 A. Log homes or manufactured housing as defined in chapter 951; ~~or~~

9 B. Post and beam or timber frame construction; ~~or~~

10 C. Seasonally restricted cottages. For purposes of this paragraph, "seasonally
11 restricted cottage" means a one-story building containing a single unit made up of a
12 room or group of rooms containing facilities for eating, sleeping, bathing and cooking
13 and that is not occupied and does not have water service from November 1st to April
14 30th.

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill defines "seasonally restricted cottage" and exempts such cottages from the
17 Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code.