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House of Representatives, April 22, 2011

An Act To Remove Obstacles to the Use of Technological Advances for Heating in Multifamily Structures

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 20, 2011. Referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Clerk

Presented by Representative FITTS of Pittsfield.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §1415-G, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 350, §11, is
3 further amended to read:

4 **1. Residential construction, remodeling and renovation.** Except as provided in
5 this section, during the construction, remodeling or renovation of a multifamily
6 residential structure, a person may not install electric space heating equipment as the
7 primary heating system if that construction, remodeling or renovation is funded in whole
8 or in part by public funds, guarantees or bond proceeds. For purposes of this section,
9 "multifamily residential structure" means a residential structure with more than one
10 dwelling unit and "electric space heating equipment" does not include electric thermal
11 storage space heating equipment.

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SUMMARY

13 Under current law, electric space heating equipment may not be installed as the
14 primary heating system in construction that is funded using public funds. This bill
15 specifically exempts electric thermal storage space heating equipment from this
16 prohibition.