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1	L.D. 170
2	Date: 4-10-12 (Filing No. S-539
3	Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate.
4	STATE OF MAINE
5	SENATE
6	125TH LEGISLATURE
7	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
8 9 10	SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1258, L.D. 1706, Bill, "An Act To Protect Maine's Biomass and Forest Products Industries by Allowing Biomass Generators To Enter into Short-term Contracts"
11 12 13	Amend the amendment in section 1 in subsection 10 in the 4th line (page 1, line 20 in amendment) by striking out the following: "has not been operating for at least 90 days" and inserting the following: 'is unable to operate'
14 15 16	Amend the amendment in section 1 in subsection 10 in paragraph A in the last 2 lines (page 1, lines 26 and 27 in amendment) by striking out the following: "has not beer operating for at least 90 days" and inserting the following: 'is unable to operate'
17 18 19	Amend the amendment in section 1 in subsection 10 in paragraph B in the 2nd line (page 1, line 29 in amendment) by striking out the following: "has not been operating for at least 90 days" and inserting the following: 'is unable to operate'
20 21 22 23	Amend the amendment in section 1 in subsection 10 in paragraph D in subparagraph (1) in the first 2 lines (page 2, lines 9 and 10 in amendment) by striking out the following: "has not been operating for at least 90 days" and inserting the following: 'is unable to operate'
24	SUMMARY
25 26 27 28	This amendment amends Committee Amendment "A" to remove the requirement that a biomass generator that is unable to operate due to economic hardship must cease operating for at least 90 days before becoming eligible to be counted towards a competitive electricity provider's new renewable capacity resource requirement.
29	SPONSORED BY: /// Sparf Julian
30	(Senator THIBODEAU)
31	COUNTY: Waldo FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED (See attached)

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125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1706

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An Act To Protect Maine's Biomass and Forest Products Industries

Fiscal Note for Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" 5-539

Sponsor: Sen. Thibodeau of Waldo

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The amendment removes the requirement that a biomass generator facility that has not been operating as a result of economic hardship must cease to operate for at least 90 days before becoming eligible to be counted towards a competitive electricity provider's new renewable capacity resource requirement. Any additional costs to the Public Utilities Commission can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.