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L.D. 1718

(Filing No. H-777)

Minority

3 ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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5 STATE OF MAINE
6 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
7 125TH LEGISLATURE
8 SECOND REGULAR SESSION

9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1271, L.D. 1718, Bill, "An Act To
10 Improve Maine's Capacity To Produce Low-cost Renewable Energy through
11 Hydroelectric Power"

12 Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

13 '**Resolve, To Review Hydropower Licensing and Relicensing and Dam Removal**'

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

16 '**Sec. 1. Review; findings. Resolved:** That the Governor's Office of Energy
17 Independence and Security, the Maine Emergency Management Agency and the
18 Department of Environmental Protection, referred to in this resolve as "the agencies,"
19 shall review and update reports prepared by the Executive Department, State Planning
20 Office relating to hydropower licensing and relicensing activities and dam removal
21 policies in the State. By January 5, 2013, the agencies shall submit their findings and
22 updated reports to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
23 environment and natural resources matters.'

24 SUMMARY

25 This amendment, which replaces the bill with a resolve, is the minority report of the
26 committee. The amendment directs the Governor's Office of Energy Independence and
27 Security, the Maine Emergency Management Agency and the Department of
28 Environmental Protection to review and update reports of the Executive Department,
29 State Planning Office relating to hydropower licensing and relicensing activities and dam
30 removal policies in the State. The agencies are directed to submit their findings and
31 updated reports to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
32 environment and natural resources matters by January 5, 2013.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1718

LR 2375(02)

An Act To Improve Maine's Capacity To Produce Low-cost Renewable Energy through Hydroelectric Power

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-777)

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Defense, Veterans, Emergency Management and Environmental Protection associated with reviewing and updating prior reports relating to hydropower licensing and relicensing activities and dam removal policies and reporting the findings can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.