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1 L.D. 1559 (Filing No. H- 350) 2 3 Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Clerk of the House. STATE OF MAINE 4 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES** 5 126TH LEGISLATURE 6 7 FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE AMENDMENT "H" to H.P. 1128, L.D. 1559, Bill, "An Act To Reduce 8 Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and 9 Protect the Environment" 10 11 Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the 12 following: 13 'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and 14 15 Whereas, the University of Maine has developed an innovative deep-water offshore 16 wind energy project that should be considered in the development of energy alternatives; 17 and Whereas, it is necessary to ensure that the University of Maine's deep-water 18 19 offshore wind energy project can be considered by the Public Utilities Commission for 20 approval as a pilot project; and 21 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within 22 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as 23 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, 24 therefore,' 25 Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following: 26 Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, except as 27 otherwise provided, this legislation takes effect when approved.' 28 SUMMARY This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill. 29 30 (Representative FREDETTE) 31 **TOWN: Newport** 32

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