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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1282, L.D. 1791, Bill, "An Act To Expand Benefits from Maine's Wind Resource"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §3404, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. State wind energy advancement goals. When encouraging the development of wind energy, the State shall aspire to advance the following goals:

A. Expanded economic opportunities within the State, including an increased number of jobs in the manufacturing, construction and development of wind energy projects; and

B. Lower electricity prices for the State's residential, commercial and industrial consumers.'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. This amendment strikes the section of the bill that repeals the megawatt goals for wind energy development. It also slightly modifies the wording of the bill relating to wind energy goals to provide that the State must aspire to advance the goals.