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In Senate, January 22, 2015

An Act To Require the Prevailing Wage To Be Paid on All Public Works Projects for Which State Funding Is Used

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator PATRICK of Oxford. Cosponsored by Representative DeCHANT of Bath and

Senators: DUTREMBLE of York, GERZOFSKY of Cumberland, LIBBY of Androscoggin, Representatives: DOORE of Augusta, GILBERT of Jay, HAMANN of South Portland, HERBIG of Belfast, PETERSON of Rumford.

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1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2 3	Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1304, sub-§8, as amended by PL 2009, c. 453, §1, is further amended to read:
4 5 6 7	8. Public works. "Public works" includes public schools and all buildings, roads, highways, bridges, streets, alleys, sewers, ditches, sewage disposal plants, demolition, waterworks, airports and all other structures upon which construction may be let to contract by the State and which contract amounts to \$50,000 or more.
8	SUMMARY
9 10 11	This bill amends the laws requiring the preference for Maine residents and the payment of prevailing wages in public works contracts to remove the exemption under those laws for contracts in amounts less than \$50,000.