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House of Representatives, February 12, 2015

An Act To Address and Mitigate the Effects of Marine Debris

Reference to the Committee on Marine Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative DEVIN of Newcastle.
Cosponsored by Senator GERZOFSKY of Cumberland and
Representatives: ALLEY of Beals, BLUME of York, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor,
HYMANSON of York, KUMIEGA of Deer Isle, McCREIGHT of Harpswell, WELSH of
Rockport.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **CONCEPT DRAFT**

3 **SUMMARY**

4 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

5 This bill proposes to enact measures to address and mitigate plastic pollution in the
6 marine environment, including but not limited to microdebris pollution. For the purpose
7 of this resolve, "microdebris" means particles of plastic approximately 5 to 10 microns in
8 length that may be ingested by filter-feeding organisms in the marine environment.