

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 127th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 544

House of Representatives, March 10, 2015

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**An Act To Encourage Prudent Development along the Coast or in a  
Flood Zone by Considering Predictions for Sea Level Rise**

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Reference to the Committee on Environment and Natural 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, FOLEY of Wells, GIDEON of Freeport,  
HAWKE of Boothbay Harbor, HUBBELL of Bar Harbor, PARRY of Arundel, Senator:  
BURNS of Washington.

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 that would require sea level model predictions to  
6 be taken into account in the design phase of any development project on the coast or in a  
7 flood zone if more than 10% of the total funding for the project is state funding.  
8 "Development project" includes, but is not limited to, the development of buildings, land,  
9 walkways, bridges, roads, culverts and piers.

10 The bill also proposes to enact measures to require coordination among state and  
11 federal agencies, universities and stakeholders concerning development projects on the  
12 coast or in a flood zone that may be affected by sea level rise.