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House of Representatives, March 2, 2017

An Act To Improve Beach-cast Seaweed Management for Health, Ecology and Tourism

Reference to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

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

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BLUME of York.
Cosponsored by Representatives: FOLEY of Wells, HYMANSON of York, PARKER of South Berwick, RYKERSON of Kittery.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §480-Q, sub-§16-A** is enacted to read:

3 **16-A. Municipal removal of beach-cast seaweed after storm or tide.** Removal by
4 a municipality of beach-cast seaweed from a coastal sand dune system where a large
5 storm or tide has deposited a large amount of beach-cast seaweed;

6 **SUMMARY**

7 This bill allows municipalities to remove beach-cast seaweed without having to
8 obtain a permit pursuant to the Natural Resources Protection Act after large storms or
9 tides have deposited large amounts of beach-cast seaweed.