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9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 725, L.D. 970, Bill, "An Act To 10 Encourage Policies Regarding Accessory Dwelling Units under Local Comprehensive 11 Plans and Zoning Requirements"

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of subsection 1-B (page 1, lines 3 and 4 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'<u>1-B. Accessory dwelling unit.</u> "Accessory dwelling unit" means a self-contained dwelling unit located within, attached to or detached from a single-family dwelling unit located on the same parcel of land.'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 6 (page 1, lines 27 to 39 and page 2, lines 1 to 5 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'Sec. 6. 30-A MRSA §4326, sub-§3-A, ¶G, as amended by PL 2015, c. 349, §4, is further amended to read:

G. Ensure that the municipality's or multimunicipal region's land use policies and ordinances encourage the siting and construction of affordable housing within the community and comply with the requirements of section 4358 pertaining to individual mobile home and mobile home park siting and design requirements. The municipality or multimunicipal region shall seek to achieve a level of at least 10% of new residential development, based on a 5-year historical average of residential development in the municipality or multimunicipal region, that meets the definition of affordable housing. A municipality or multimunicipal region is encouraged to seek creative approaches to assist in the development of affordable housing, including, but not limited to, cluster housing, reduced-minimum lot and frontage sizes, increased residential densities, use of municipally owned land and establishment of policies that assess community needs and environmental effects of municipal regulations, lessen the effect of excessive parking requirements for buildings in downtowns and on main streets and provide for alternative approaches for compliance relating to the reuse of upper floors of buildings in downtowns and on main-streets;:

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1	(1) Cluster housing;
2	(2) Reduced minimum lot and frontage sizes;
3	(3) Increased residential densities;
4	(4) Use of municipally owned land;
5	(5) Establishment of policies that:
6 7	(a) Assess community needs and environmental effects of municipal regulations;
8 9	(b) Lessen the effect of excessive parking requirements for buildings in downtowns and on main streets; and
10 11	(c) Provide for alternative approaches for compliance relating to the reuse of upper floors of buildings in downtowns and on main streets; and
12	(6) Provisions for accessory dwelling units;
13 14	Amend the bill in section 9 in paragraph L in the first line (page 2, line 20 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Establish" and inserting the following: 'Encourage'
15 16	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.
17	SUMMARY
18 19 20 21	This amendment expands the definition of "accessory dwelling unit" to include a dwelling unit attached to and detached from another single-dwelling unit. It clarifies that municipalities are encouraged to develop policies in the comprehensive planning process that provide for accessory dwelling units, but it does not require municipalities to permit

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accessory dwelling units. It reorganizes the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section

4236, subsection 3-A, paragraph G for ease of understanding.

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