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L.D. 1248
(Filing No. H- 168)

ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
129TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 909, L.D. 1248, "Resolve, To Direct the ConnectME Authority To Report on the Progress of the Detailed 2019-2021 Strategic Plan for Broadband Service in Maine"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Direction to report. Resolved: That in 2020, 2021 and 2022 the ConnectME Authority established under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 9203 shall include in its annual report due January 15th to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over energy, utilities and technology matters, as required under Title 35-A, section 9208, information outlining the progress of the authority in meeting the goals of its Detailed 2019-2021 Strategic Plan for Broadband Service in Maine developed pursuant to Title 35-A, section 9218, including but not limited to an explanation of the measures that the authority has taken to:

- 1. Build partnerships with private businesses and state, county and municipal planning organizations, including but not limited to regional transportation planning authorities; and
- 2. Coordinate and communicate with the Department of Transportation in order to facilitate the installation of broadband infrastructure along roadways.'

Amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment incorporates and aligns the reporting requirement in the resolve with the ConnectME Authority annual report, instead of requiring a separate report to the Legislature on the progress on the strategic plan.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See Attached)**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1248

LR 1573(02)

**Resolve, To Direct the ConnectME Authority To Report on the Progress of the Detailed 2019-2021
Strategic Plan for Broadband Service in Maine**

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-168)
Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the ConnectME Authority to add certain information to its annual report are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.