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ENERGY, UTILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
129TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 509, L.D. 1603, Bill, "An Act To Improve Cell Phone Service in Underserved Areas by Installing Wireless Base Stations at State-owned Facilities"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, To Coordinate a Plan To Expand Cellular Telephone Service'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Plan to expand cellular telephone service. Resolved: That the Department of Economic and Community Development, in coordination with the ConnectME Authority established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 33-F, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and the University of Maine System, Networkmaine, shall develop a plan to leverage state assets to expand cellular telephone service to underserved areas of the State. The plan may be developed in connection with any plans to expand broadband service prepared by the ConnectME Authority pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, chapter 93.

Sec. 2. Report; authority for legislation. Resolved: That, no later than February 1, 2020, the Department of Economic and Community Development shall submit a report on the plan developed under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology. The committee may report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature related to the report.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. The amendment requires the Department of Economic and Community Development, in coordination with the ConnectME Authority, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and the University of Maine System, Networkmaine, to develop a plan to leverage state assets to expand cellular telephone service to underserved areas of the State. It requires the Department of Economic and Community Development to submit a report on the plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology and authorizes the

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 509, L.D. 1603 (S 155)

1 committee to report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 129th Legislature
2 related to the report.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



129th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1603

LR 1138(02)

An Act To Improve Cell Phone Service in Underserved Areas by Installing Wireless Base Stations at State-owned Facilities

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *A(S-155)*
Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology
Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund
Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Economic and Community Development to coordinate with the ConnectME Authority, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and Network Maine on the development of a plan to leverage state assets to expand cellular telephone service to underserved areas of the State are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.