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No. 2116

H.P. 1431

House of Representatives, January 7, 2026

An Act to Make Permanent the Affordable Housing Income Tax Credit

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative RANA of Bangor.
Cosponsored by Senator CURRY of Waldo and
Representatives: FRIEDMANN of Bar Harbor, GATTINE of Westbrook, GERE of
Kennebunkport, Senator: PIERCE of Cumberland.

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

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §5219-WW, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 555, §6, is amended to read:

3. Maximum credit; carry-forward. The total credit amount available pursuant to this section and section 2534 to be allocated by the authority for each calendar year beginning on or after January 1, 2021 ~~and ending on or before December 31, 2028~~ is subject to the following limitations.

A. The total allocation may not exceed \$10,000,000. Any portion of that amount not allocated in a calendar year may be carried forward and available to be allocated in subsequent calendar years, except that:

(1) Any previously allocated credits returned to the authority, excluding any credits recaptured under subsection 7, must be added to that amount; and

(2) The authority may not allocate more than \$15,000,000 in any calendar year.

B. No more than 20% of credits allocated in any calendar year may be allocated under subsection 2, paragraph B.

C. Ten percent of credits first available to be allocated in any calendar year must be set aside to be allocated for the purpose of qualified rural development preservation projects pursuant to subsection 2, paragraph B. Any portion of the amount under this paragraph not allocated in a calendar year must be carried forward and be available to be allocated in subsequent calendar years for the purpose of qualified rural development preservation projects. ~~To the extent that any amounts set aside under this paragraph are not allocated on or before December 31, 2028, those amounts may be allocated by the authority without regard to whether the project is a qualified rural development preservation project.~~

~~D. Only those credits that have been carried forward or returned, excluding any credits recaptured under subsection 7, as described in this subsection may be allocated by the authority after December 31, 2028.~~

SUMMARY

This bill removes the provision of law that terminates the income tax credit for affordable housing on December 31, 2028.