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investigation must set forth the total projected costs of the transmission line as well as the total projected costs of the alternatives over the effective life of the proposed transmission line.

- **Sec. 5. 35-A MRSA §3132-A, sub-§1,** as enacted by PL 2013, c. 369, Pt. C, §8, is amended to read:
- 1. Submission requirement. A person that proposes to undertake in the State a transmission project must provide the commission with the following information: a description of the need for the proposed transmission project.
  - A. Results of an investigation by an independent 3rd party, which may be the commission or a contractor selected by the commission, of nontransmission alternatives to construction of the proposed transmission project. The investigation must set forth the total projected costs of the transmission project as well as the total projected costs of the nontransmission alternatives over the effective life of the proposed transmission project; and
  - B. A description of the need for the proposed transmission project.
- Sec. 6. 35-A MRSA §3132-A, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:
- 1-A. Nontransmission alternatives investigation. In considering whether to approve or disapprove all or portions of a proposed transmission project pursuant to subsection 2, the commission shall consider the results of an investigation by an independent 3rd party, which may be the commission or a contractor selected by the commission, of nontransmission alternatives to construction of the proposed transmission project. The investigation must set forth the total projected costs of the transmission project as well as the total projected costs of the alternatives over the effective life of the proposed transmission project.
- **Sec. 7. Nontransmission alternatives coordinator proceeding.** By December 15, 2017, the Public Utilities Commission shall issue an order in the adjudicatory proceeding regarding the investigation into the designation of a nontransmission alternatives coordinator, Docket No. 2016-00049, and report the outcome of that proceeding to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology by January 1, 2018.

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 202 H.P. 761 - L.D. 1083

#### An Act To Increase the Penalties for Hunting Deer over Bait

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

- Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §10902, sub-§7-C is enacted to read:
- 7-C. Hunting deer over bait. A hunting license of a person convicted of placing or hunting over bait in violation of section 11452, subsection 1 must be revoked, and that person is ineligible to obtain a hunting license as follows:
  - A. For a first offense, for a period of one year from the date of conviction; and
  - B. For a 2nd offense, the person is permanently ineligible to obtain a hunting license.

See title page for effective date.

### CHAPTER 203 S.P. 366 - L.D. 1112

#### An Act Regarding the Maternal and Infant Death Review Panel

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

**Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §261,** as amended by PL 2009, c. 531, §1, is further amended to read:

# §261. Maternal, fetal and infant mortality review panel

The department shall establish the maternal, <u>fetal</u> and infant <u>death</u> <u>mortality</u> review panel in accordance with this section.

- **1. Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.
  - A. "Center" means the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention.
  - B. "Deceased person" means a woman who died during pregnancy or within 42 days of giving birth or a child who died within 1 one year of birth.
  - C. "Director" means the <u>medical</u> director of the center.
  - C-1. "Family" means a woman who has experienced a fetal death or the parent or parents or