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**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1088 / HP0750

Original Title: An Act To Modernize the Tax Laws and Provide over \$75,000,000 to Residents of the State in Tax Relief. New Title: An Act To Modernize the Tax Laws and Provide over \$50,000,000 to Residents of the State in Tax Relief. Presented by Representative PIOTTI of Unity. Referred to Jt. Standing Comm. on Taxation. Public Hearing 04/02/09. Majority (OTP-AM) Accepted 06/05/09. Amended by: CA H-530, HA/CA (Changed Title) H-537. Final Disposition: Indefinitely Postponed 06/12/09.

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Joint Order, To Recall LD 1088 from the Governor's Desk to the Senate. Presented by Senator PERRY of Penobscot. Final Disposition: Passed in Concurrence 06/12/09.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1088 \(124th Legis. 2009\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill**

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