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**History and Final Disposition**

SP0668

Joint Order, That the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology Report Out a Bill Relating to Contracts for the Purchase of Energy and Capacity with Generation Facilities that are Deemed to Produce Zero Greenhouse Gas Emissions. Presented by Senator WOODSOME of York. Final Disposition: Passed in Concurrence 03/22/16. (See LD 1676)

LD 1676 / SP0689

Original Title: An Act To Establish a Process for Procurement of Renewable Resources. New Title: An Act To Establish a Process for the Procurement of Biomass Resources. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology pursuant to Joint Order 2016, S.P. 668.) Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology. Public Hearing 03/28/16. (OTP-AM) Report A Accepted 04/15/16. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) S-517, SB/CA (Changed Title) S-539. Final Disposition: Emergency Enacted, Emergency Signed 04/16/16, PUBLIC LAW, Chapter 483.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1676 \(127th Legis. 2016\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law**

[LD 1676 / PL 2015, c. 483](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: cf127-LD-1676.pdf)

**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(S-517\) \(LD 1676 2016\) \(Report A\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment CB \(S-518\) \(LD 1676 2016\) \(Report B\)](#)

[Amendment SA/CA \(S-538\) \(LD 1676 2016\)](#)

[Amendment SB/CA \(S-539\) \(LD 1676 2016\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SC/CA \(S-543\) \(LD 1676 2016\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[SENATE, March 10, 2016 \(S1665-1677\)](#)

- p. S-1672

[HOUSE, March 22, 2016 \(H1400-1428\)](#)

- p. H-1428

[SENATE, March 22, 2016 \(S1717-1742\)](#)

- p. S-1742

[HOUSE, March 24, 2016 \(H1445-1459\)](#)

- p. H-1458 (Remarks)

[SENATE, March 24, 2016 \(S1771-1781\)](#)

- p. S-1778

[SENATE, April 14, 2016 \(S2055-2087\)](#)

- p. S-2086 (Amendment(s) S-517, S-518)

[HOUSE, April 15, 2016 \(H1704-1730\)](#)

- p. H-1710 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p 1720)) (Amendment(s) S-517, S-518 (p 1711), S-539 (p 1711))

[HOUSE, April 15, 2016 \(H1704-1730\)](#)

- p. H-1722 (Amendment(s) S-517, S-539)

[SENATE, April 15, 2016 \(S2088-2116\)](#)

- p. S-2089 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p 2097)) (Amendment(s) S-517, S-518, S-539 (p 2090))

[SENATE, April 15, 2016 \(S2088-2116\)](#)

- p. S-2109 (Amendment(s) S-517, S-539)

#### **Enacted Law or Resolve**

[PL 2015, c. 483](#)

#### **News Articles**

Biomass industry's appeal to Maine lawmakers: Save our jobs (Turler, Tux) (Portland Press Herald, 3/29/2016, p. A1, A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD16xx/nc127-ld-1676/P1603111.pdf)

Biomass subsidies, long-term energy contracts aren't good ways to help Maine loggers (Bangor Daily News, 4/7/2016, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD16xx/nc127-ld-1676/B1604016.pdf)

Misconceptions aren't helping the debate over biomass (Doran, Dana) (Bangor Daily News, 4/13/2016, p. A7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD16xx/nc127-ld-1676/B1604045.pdf)

Biomass plant closures likely, despite proposed state bailout (Turler, Tux) (Portland Press Herald, 4/13/2016, p. A1, A4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD16xx/nc127-ld-1676/P1604028.pdf)

Legislators approve \$13.4 million bailout of Maine biomass industry (Mistler, Steve) (Portland Press Herald, 4/16/2016, p. A1, A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 127/LD16xx/nc127-ld-1676/P1604044.pdf)

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