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An Act to Create the Whole Home Repairs Program

Reference to the Committee on Labor and Housing suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MALON of Biddeford.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ABDI of Lewiston, ANKELES of Brunswick, CLUCHEY of Bowdoinham, GATTINE of Westbrook, GOLEK of Harpswell, RUSSELL of Verona Island.

1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 **CONCEPT DRAFT** 3 **SUMMARY** 4 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. 5 This bill would establish the Whole Home Repairs Program at the Maine State Housing Authority to provide grants of up to \$15,000 to homeowners and forgivable loans of up to 6 \$25,000 to certain landlords for the purpose of repairing homes and rental units, 7 respectively, in order to make those homes and rental units eligible for weatherization 8 9 programs. 10 The Whole Home Repairs Program would replace the authority's existing Weatherization Program. Funding for the Whole Home Repairs Program would come from 11 general appropriations and not, as for the Weatherization Program, from the Housing 12 13 Opportunities for Maine Fund.