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House of Representatives, February 28, 2019

An Act To Improve Funding for Maine's Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Teams

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville.
Cosponsored by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec and

Representatives: AUSTIN of Skowhegan, DOORE of Augusta, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, McCREA of Fort Fairfield, NADEAU of Winslow, TIPPING of Orono, WHITE of Waterville.

## 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: **CONCEPT DRAFT** 2 3 **SUMMARY** This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. 4 5 This bill proposes to improve the training and retention of oil and hazardous materials emergency response workers and their ability to respond to oil and hazardous materials 6 emergencies by requiring the State to: 7 1. Pay or waive the fee for workers for the cost of necessary training courses and any 8 materials required for those courses; 9 2. Compensate workers fairly for the time spent in training courses, while on call and 10 when responding to hazardous materials emergencies; and 11 Purchase hazardous materials emergency response equipment for use by 12 municipalities or reimburse municipalities that purchase hazardous materials emergency 13

response equipment.

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