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ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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**STATE OF MAINE
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131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 1046, L.D. 1621, “An Act Regarding Environmental Justice”

Amend the bill in section 1 in §349-C in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the 2nd line (page 1, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "regardless of race, color, national origin or income"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF
Administration - Environmental Protection 0251**

Initiative: Provides funding for technology management costs associated with positions.

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
All Other	\$11,300	\$11,300
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$11,300	\$11,300

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

Initiative: Provides funding for one Public Service Coordinator I position, 2 Law Clerk positions, one GIS Coordinator position and associated position costs.

GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	4.000	4.000
Personal Services	\$292,601	\$411,197
All Other	\$5,452	\$5,452
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$298,053	\$416,649

Maine Environmental Protection Fund 0421

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 Initiative: Provides funding for facilitator services, travel expenses, facility rentals and
2 meeting expenses.

3	GENERAL FUND	2023-24	2024-25
4	All Other	\$150,000	\$150,000
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6	GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$150,000</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>

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8	ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,		
9	DEPARTMENT OF		
10	DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2023-24	2024-25
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12	GENERAL FUND	\$459,353	\$577,949
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14	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$459,353</u>	<u>\$577,949</u>

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16 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
17 number to read consecutively.

18 **SUMMARY**

19 This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, removes from the
20 definition of "environmental justice" in the bill the reference to race, color, national origin
21 or income. The amendment replaces the appropriations and allocations section.

22 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

23 (See attached)