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Resolve, To Study the Feasibility of Time-of-use Rates

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Presented by Representative KESSLER of South Portland.

Sec. 1. Public Utilities Commission review. Resolved: That the Public Utilities Commission shall study the feasibility of establishing time-of-use rates for commercial and residential electricity customers. The study must include a review of the viability of using the State's existing electric grid infrastructure, the upgrades to the electric grid that would be required under a time-of-use rate design and the full range of potential costs and benefits, including but not limited to nonenergy benefits to ratepayers, of implementing a time-of-use rate design. By December 1, 2021, the commission shall submit a report on its study, including findings and suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology. The committee may submit legislation regarding the report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

11 SUMMARY

This resolve requires the Public Utilities Commission to study the feasibility of establishing time-of-use rates for commercial and residential electricity customers. The commission must submit a report on the study to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology, and the committee may submit legislation regarding the report to the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.