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## **An Act To Promote Green Power Use at State Buildings**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1766-A** is enacted to read:

### **§ 1766-A. Electricity purchases for state buildings**

No later than January 1, 2010, all electricity consumed in state-owned or state-leased buildings must be supplied by renewable resources. For purposes of this section, "renewable resource" means any renewable resource defined in Title 35-A, section 3210, subsection 2, paragraph C.

**Sec. 2. Plan to implement electricity purchases for state buildings.** The chair of the Energy Resources Council, established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 3327, shall develop a plan to implement Title 5, section 1766-A and shall submit that plan including suggested legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy and the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government by April 1, 2008. The Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government is authorized to introduce legislation related to the plan.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill requires that by January 1, 2010 all electricity consumed in state-owned or state-leased buildings be supplied by renewable resources. It requires the chair of the Energy Resources Council to develop a plan to achieve this requirement and to submit that plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy and the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government by April 1, 2008.