



# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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LR 1475(02)

## An Act To Require Prompt and Effective Use of the Renewable Energy Resources of Northern Maine

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Energy, Utilities and Technology

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$203,754	\$0	\$0	\$0
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#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill establishes the Northern Maine Renewable Energy Development Program, to be administered by the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to remove obstacles to the use of renewable resources in Northern Maine. The PUC has indicated that the development of this program would require the use of outside consultants. The bill includes a one-time allocation to the PUC of \$203,754 in fiscal year 2021-22 for contracted services. The PUC is funded by an assessment set to produce sufficient revenue for the expenditures allocated by the Legislature for operating the PUC. The increased allocations in this bill require a corresponding increase in revenue from the assessment on transmission and distribution utilities.