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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " " to H.P. 477, L.D. 686, Bill, "An Act To Remove Restrictions on the Membership of Regional Water Councils"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §6801, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 209, §1, is amended to read:

§6801. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

1. Regional water council. "Regional water council" means a nonprofit corporation established for the benefit of 2 or more water utilities water-related entities pursuant to this chapter, where at least one of the organizing members is a water utility.

2. Water-related entity. "Water-related entity" means a water utility or a municipal or quasi-municipal entity owning, controlling, operating or managing sewer, sanitary or storm water works.

Sec. 2. 35-A MRSA §6802, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 209, §1, is amended to read:

§6802. Regional water councils authorized

Two or more water utilities water-related entities may organize a regional water council by forming a nonprofit corporation under Title 13-B, the as long as one of the organizing members is a water utility. The membership of which a regional water council is restricted to water utilities water-related entities. A water utility is not required to become a member of a regional water council.

Sec. 3. 35-A MRSA §6803, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 209, §1, is amended to read:

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1 the statement must also be filed with the Public Utilities Commission and the drinking
2 water program of the Department of Health and Human Services.