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House of Representatives, February 17, 2011

### **An Act To Promote a Safe and Sustainable Environment by Extending the Portfolio Standard**

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Reference to the Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST  
Clerk

Presented by Representative BEAVERS of South Berwick.  
Cosponsored by Senator GOODALL of Sagadahoc, Senator SAVIELLO of Franklin and  
Representatives: CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, DION of Portland, FITTS of Pittsfield,  
HAMPER of Oxford, HINCK of Portland, WALSH INNES of Yarmouth, LUCHINI of  
Ellsworth, Senator: BARTLETT of Cumberland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §3210, sub-§3-A, ¶A,** as corrected by RR 2007, c. 2, §20,  
3 is amended to read:

4 A. Except as provided in paragraph B, beginning January 1, 2008, as a condition of  
5 licensing pursuant to section 3203, each competitive electricity provider in this State  
6 must demonstrate in a manner satisfactory to the commission that the percentage of  
7 its portfolio of supply sources for retail electricity sales in this State accounted for by  
8 new renewable capacity resources is as follows:

- 9 (1) One percent for the period from January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008;  
10 (2) Two percent for the period from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009;  
11 (3) Three percent for the period from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010;  
12 (4) Four percent for the period from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011;  
13 (5) Five percent for the period from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012;  
14 (6) Six percent for the period from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013;  
15 (7) Seven percent for the period from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014;  
16 (8) Eight percent for the period from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015;  
17 (9) Nine percent for the period from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016; ~~and~~  
18 (10) Ten percent for the period from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017;  
19 (11) Eleven percent for the period from January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018;  
20 (12) Twelve percent for the period from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019;  
21 (13) Thirteen percent for the period from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020;  
22 (14) Fourteen percent for the period from January 1, 2021 to December 31,  
23 2021;  
24 (15) Fifteen percent for the period from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022;  
25 (16) Sixteen percent for the period from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023;  
26 (17) Seventeen percent for the period from January 1, 2024 to December 31,  
27 2024;  
28 (18) Eighteen percent for the period from January 1, 2025 to December 31,  
29 2025;  
30 (19) Nineteen percent for the period from January 1, 2026 to December 31,  
31 2026; and  
32 (20) Twenty percent for the period from January 1, 2027 to December 31, 2027.

33 New renewable capacity resources used to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph  
34 may not be used to satisfy the requirements of subsection 3.

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## **SUMMARY**

This bill amends Maine's renewable portfolio standard by extending for an additional 10 years the existing escalation of the requirement that each competitive electricity provider in this State demonstrate in a manner satisfactory to the Public Utilities Commission the percentage of its portfolio of supply sources for retail electricity sales in this State accounted for by new renewable capacity resources.