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House of Representatives, April 28, 2015

An Act To Encourage the Redevelopment of Upper Floors of Buildings in Downtowns and on Main Streets

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington.
Cosponsored by Senator BREEN of Cumberland and
Representatives: BUCKLAND of Farmington, CHIPMAN of Portland, DUCHESNE of

Hudson, HANLEY of Pittston, HARLOW of Portland, WELSH of Rockport, Senator: SAVIELLO of Franklin.

1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 **CONCEPT DRAFT** 3 **SUMMARY** 4 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. 5 This bill proposes to enact measures to encourage municipalities to review and reassess municipal regulations that create barriers to redevelopment in downtowns and on 6 main streets. As part of a review and reassessment, a municipality shall consider: 7 8 1. Assessing current community needs and environmental impacts of the regulations; 9 Lessening the impact of excessive parking requirements for buildings in 10 downtowns and on main streets; and 3. Extending so-called grandfather provisions relating to the reuse of upper floors of 11 12 buildings in downtowns and on main streets.