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House of Representatives, February 16, 2016

An Act To Require That Public Postsecondary Educational Institutions in the State Give Preference to Maine Producers When **Entering into Contracts Related to Heating Fuel** 

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SAUCIER of Presque Isle. Cosponsored by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, DUCHESNE of Hudson, MARTIN of Sinclair, SCHNECK of Bangor, Senators: EDGECOMB of Aroostook, SAVIELLO of Franklin.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1824-B is enacted to read:
3	§1824-B. Public postsecondary educational institution heating fuel purchases
4 5	1. <b>Definitions.</b> As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.
6 7	A. "Heating fuel" means a fuel used for the purpose of heating a residence or business.
8 9	B. "Public postsecondary educational institution" means the University of Maine System, the Maine Maritime Academy and the Maine Community College System.
10 11 12 13	2. Preference. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when entering into a contract to purchase heating fuel, a public postsecondary educational institution shall give preference to companies producing in the State the type of heating fuel to be purchased under the contract.
14	SUMMARY
15 16 17	This bill requires the University of Maine System, the Maine Maritime Academy and the Maine Community College System, when entering into a contract for heating fuel, to give preference to companies producing that type of heating fuel in the State.