

Principles of Energy Planning

Committee Member Suggestions

Principles of Energy Planning – Suggestions provided by Representative Berry

- Secure
 - Reliable
 - Affordable
 - Clean; locally sourced
 - Resilient
 - Equitable – available to all
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- This route may provide more flexibility – it is not partisan – plan would speak to these principles.
 - With these principles as the basis for the plan, the committee could add details to these, define the principles more clearly and require the GEO to define these even further, conduct economic modeling, evaluate the different pathways to achieve an energy landscape that meets these principles, establish any contingencies, establish measurable benchmarks, and provide an evaluation on the progress in achieving these principles. The report should include recommendations on any changes needed to the law to meet these principles or changes to these principles or how they are defined.

Principles of Energy Planning – Suggestions provided by Representative Cuddy

- Sustainable: we have to address climate change
- Affordable: within the framework of #1 we have to keep our cost under control
- Equitable: the additional costs associated with #1 should have the least impact on those who are most financially vulnerable
- Economic benefit: we should focus on attaining the greatest benefit for Maine's economy from the additional work done to address climate change