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House of Representatives, February 10, 2011

An Act Concerning Policy Objectives of the Public Utilities Commission

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 HINCK of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo and
Representatives: BERRY of Bowdoinham, CORNELL du HOUX of Brunswick, FITTS of
Pittsfield, Senators: BARTLETT of Cumberland, SHERMAN of Aroostook.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 35-A MRSA §103, sub-§2, ¶B**, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 141, Pt. A, §6,
3 is amended to read:

4 B. The commission shall set the basic policies of the Public Utilities Commission
5 and shall regulate public utilities in accordance with this Title. Essential policy
6 objectives of the commission include, but are not limited to, the promotion of system
7 reliability, the reduction of the cost of power to ratepayers in the State and long-term
8 sustainable resource planning.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 This bill amends the powers and duties of the Public Utilities Commission to specify
11 that essential policy objectives of the commission include, but are not limited to, the
12 promotion of system reliability, the reduction of the cost of power to Maine ratepayers
13 and long-term sustainable resource planning.