Resolve, To Increase Energy Independence for Maine

Sec. 1. Energy planning. Resolved: That the Governor's Energy Office shall, as a complement to the State's overall interagency and regional planning goals and in coordination with development of the state energy plan prepared pursuant to Title 2, section 9, subsection 3, paragraph C or other planning initiatives, conduct an analysis for at least one scenario through which the State, by 2030, can become a net exporter of energy through the development and expansion of energy generating capacity within the boundaries of the State and its coastal waters, energy conservation and energy efficiency at levels sufficient to offset the total value of the State's domestic energy consumption across all sectors. This analysis must identify economic benefits to the State from becoming a net exporter and policies that would be necessary to achieve this outcome.

Sec. 2. Report. Resolved: That the Governor's Energy Office shall provide a report on progress regarding the state energy plan and the analysis required under section 1, along with any recommended policy initiatives, to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology by December 31, 2019.