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House of Representatives, March 2, 2017

An Act To Improve Beach-cast Seaweed Management for Health, Ecology and Tourism

Reference to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

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ROBERT B. HUNT Clerk

Presented by Representative BLUME of York. Cosponsored by Representatives: FOLEY of Wells, HYMANSON of York, PARKER of South Berwick, RYKERSON of Kittery.

| 1 | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: |
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| 2 | Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §480-Q, sub-§16-A is enacted to read: |
| 3 4 5 | <u>16-A. Municipal removal of beach-cast seaweed after storm or tide.</u> Removal by a municipality of beach-cast seaweed from a coastal sand dune system where a large storm or tide has deposited a large amount of beach-cast seaweed; |
| 6 | SUMMARY |
| 7 8 9 | This bill allows municipalities to remove beach-cast seaweed without having to obtain a permit pursuant to the Natural Resources Protection Act after large storms or tides have deposited large amounts of beach-cast seaweed. |