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An Act Regarding Timelines for Permitting by the Department of Environmental Protection

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	CONCEPT DRAFT
3	SUMMARY
4	This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.
5 6	This bill proposes to amend the laws governing permitting by the Department of Environmental Protection. The bill proposes to amend the laws governing:
7	1. Requirements for who may intervene in a department application review;
8	2. Deadlines for and limitations on submitting public comments for complex projects;
9	3. The duration of public comment periods during the permit application process; and
10	4. Requirements on the ability to appeal a decision of the department.