

Amendment to SB 452-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

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3 1 Coastal and Great Bay Region Audit; Agency Projects.

4 I. State agencies, including but not limited to the department of environmental services, the
5 department of resources and economic development, the department of transportation, and the fish
6 and game department shall each conduct an audit of existing state statutes, rules, and agency
7 policies governing state properties, projects, and actions in the coastal and Great Bay regions to
8 determine any changes necessary so that authorities can adequately address and enable
9 appropriate state actions and local actions necessary to prepare for flood risks, such as projected
10 storm surge, sea-level rise, and precipitation events. Agencies shall use the best available projected
11 coastal flooding risks, such as those in the Coastal Risks and Hazards Commission 2014 report,
12 "Sea-level Rise, Storm Surges, and Extreme Precipitation in Coastal New Hampshire: Analysis of
13 Past and Projected Future Trends."

14 II. State agencies conducting an audit under paragraph I shall submit an interim report by
15 November 1, 2017 and a final report by November 1, 2018. The report shall include audit findings
16 and recommendations and be submitted to the speaker of the house of representatives, the
17 president of the senate, the house clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library.

18 III. New Hampshire state agencies involved in planning, siting, and design of state-funded
19 structures and facilities, public works projects, and transportation projects, as well as land
20 acquisition and management and other environmental activities in the coastal and Great Bay
21 regions of New Hampshire, shall reference the 2014 Coastal Risks and Hazards Commission report,
22 "Sea-level Rise, storm surges, and extreme precipitation in Coastal New Hampshire: Analysis of
23 Past and Projected Future Trends," as updated, for guidance on all potentially affected activities.
24 Agencies shall develop, as possible and appropriate, uniform standards of guidance, in conformity,
25 as may be necessary due to federal actions.