

Amendment to SB 375

1 Amend RSA 485-F:3 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 485-F:3 Duties. The commission shall:

4 I. Investigate, monitor, and propose prevention and mitigation strategies for emerging
5 environmental threats in coastal and Great Bay waters, including but not limited to warming of
6 waters, ocean acidification, sedimentation, and nutrient loading, which impact fish, shellfish, and
7 the food chain thereof.

8 II. Identify gaps and recommend improvements in water quality monitoring, including
9 monitoring pH and evaluating its impact on the impaired waters designation of water bodies.

10 III. Recommend strategies for enhancing capacities for improving water quality.

11 IV. Examine the Blue Carbon credit program for sea grass promotion and oyster bed
12 restoration.

13 V. Report annually on November 1 to the chairs of the house and senate committees with
14 jurisdiction over issues affecting coastal marine resources and the environment, the senate
15 president, the speaker of the house, and the governor.