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House of Representatives, March 5, 2013

An Act Regarding Fire Escapes for Certain Buildings

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative LAJOIE of Lewiston.
Cosponsored by Senator DUTREMBLE of York and
Representatives: BRIGGS of Mexico, LIBBY of Lewiston, PEASE of Morrill, TYLER of
Windham, WERTS of Auburn.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2453**, as repealed and replaced by PL 2007, c. 258, §1, is
3 repealed.

4 **Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2543, first ¶**, as amended by PL 1973, c. 788, §112, is further
5 amended to read:

6 ~~Such~~ The marshal ~~shall~~, within Aroostook County, ~~have~~ has the same powers and
7 duties given to fire inspectors by virtue of section 2360, ~~shall have and has~~ the same
8 powers and duties given the fire inspector by virtue of section 2392 ~~and shall have the~~
9 ~~same powers and duties given to fire inspectors, boards of engineers and chiefs of fire~~
10 ~~departments by virtue of section 2453~~, except that in case of conflict in authority between
11 state, county and town fire officials, the order of final determination or decision ~~shall be~~
12 is first in the State, 2nd in the county and 3rd in the town fire officials.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill repeals the provision of law that provides that a person, firm or organization
15 that violates the law pertaining to the installment and maintenance of fire escapes
16 commits a civil violation to eliminate a conflict between the Maine Revised Statutes,
17 Title 25, section 2453 and the National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code 101.
18 It also amends a section to correct a cross-reference to the repealed provision.