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EXECUTIVE ORDER
GOVERNOR KENNETH M. CURTIS

No. 1 FY 71 August 14, 1970

## MAINE WOODLANDS TAXATION STUDY COMMITTEE

This order creates the Maine Woodlands Study Committee.

The Committee shall include representatives from the Legislature, landowners, taxation specialists, municipalities and the general public to provide a broadbased and balanced view.

The purpose of this study is to examine the broad scope taxation of the forest lands of Maine both in the organized and unorganized areas. The Committee should consider our present taxation practices and various alternatives with the aims for fair and productive taxation and the effect of tax policy in producing desirable land use.

By December 1, 1970, the Committee shall submit to the Governor a written report of its findings and conclusions to assist in preparing legislative and budget recommendations to the 105th Legislature.

The Committee shall have the necessary authority to carry out the purpose of this Order and to hold public hearings. Executive and staff members of all State agencies are directed to cooperate fully as requested in carrying out this study.

The Chairman of the Committee will be Mr. Austin H. Wilkins, Maine Forestry Commissioner.

The Committee is authorized to obtain such professional and clerical assistance as may be required to carry out this Order.

The members of the Committee shall serve without special compensation but shall be reimbursed for their expenses incurred in the performance of their duties under this Order.

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