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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative ANDERSON of Woodland. Cosponsored by Senator PEARSON of Penobscot and Senator COLLINS of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Change the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law.

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

36 MRSA §578, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1981, c. 706, §8, is further amended to read:

2. Unorganized territory. The State Tax Assessor shall adjust the 100% valuation per acre for each type for each county by such ratio or percentage as is then being used to determine 8 the state valuation applicable to other property in the unorganized territory to obtain the assessed values. Commencing April 1, 1973, forest land in the unorganized territory subject to taxation under this subchapter shall must be taxed at the same property tax rate as is applicable to other property in the unorganized territory, which rate shall must be applied to the assessed values so determined. Upon collection by the State Tax Assessor, such taxes shall must be deposited in the Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund in accordance with section 1605. Unorganized territories must be reimbursed in the same manner as are municipalities under subsection 1.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill allows the unorganized territory to receive reimbursement for tree growth property in the same manner as a 26 municipality.

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