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INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Reported by: Senator Kilkelly

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 333, L.D. 1111, Bill, "An Act to Protect Loons"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7035, sub-§17 is enacted to read:

17. Promotion and education on lead sinkers and lures. The commissioner may accept money, goods or services donated to the department for the purpose of educating the public on ways to minimize the threat to loons and other bird species from discarded or lost lead sinkers and lures. Any money, goods or services accepted by the commissioner under this subsection may be used only for those purposes.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

FISCAL NOTE

Authorizing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to accept certain donated funds may result in insignificant increases of dedicated revenue to the Division of Public Information and Education within the Department of Inland

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Fisheries and Wildlife. The division has previously authorized
Other Special Revenue allocations which will allow the
expenditure of any donated funds.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment allows the
Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to accept donations
of money, goods or services for the purpose of educating the
public about the threat to loons and other bird species from
discarded or lost lead sinkers and lures.