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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 724, "Joint Study Order Directing the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Study New Payment Models for the Logging Industry"

Amend the order by striking out everything from the first indented paragraph to the end and inserting in its place the following:

'ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that:

- 1. The Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall conduct a study of new payment models for the logging industry. The committee shall conduct the study during authorized interim committee meetings.
- 2. The committee shall:
  - A. Examine how logging contractors and their employees are paid;
  - B. Explore new models of payment;
  - C. Examine public policies for forests that promote better forestry practices or protect wildlife habitat and how the policies affect landowners;
  - D. Examine whether there are forest policies that give incentives for mismanagement or disincentives for improved management;
  - E. Examine state labor and educational policies that govern the creation of apprenticeship programs;

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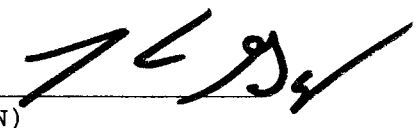
F. Identify the opportunities for and barriers to creating logger apprenticeship programs; and

G. Consult with interested parties affected by the forest industry.

3. The committee shall submit a report, together with any necessary implementing legislation, to the Legislature no later than December 3, 2003.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment strikes that part of the order that allows the committee to hold one additional meeting. The amendment also changes the reporting date from December 31, 2003 to December 3, 2003. The amendment strikes a provision that allows the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to introduce legislation because the committee is the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and has already been given such authority elsewhere by the order.

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