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An Act To Amend Shoreline Zoning

Reference to the Committee on Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative SAVIELLO of Wilton.

Cosponsored by Representative: COWGER of Hallowell, Senator: WOODCOCK of Franklin.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §438-A, sub-§1-C** is enacted to read:

6 **1-C. Guidelines for public trails within railroad**
8 **rights-of-way.** The guidelines may not prohibit thinning and
10 **pruning of vegetation within railroad rights-of-way.**

12 **Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §439-A, sub-§6-A** is enacted to read:

14 **6-A. Railroad rights-of-way.** Notwithstanding the
16 **provisions of subsection 6, a municipal ordinance may not**
18 **prohibit, within the shoreland zone, thinning and pruning of**
20 **vegetation within railroad rights-of-way.**

SUMMARY

22 This bill amends the shoreland zoning ordinance guidelines
24 to allow thinning and pruning of vegetation within railroad
rights-of-way.