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L.D. 709

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**NATURAL RESOURCES**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
121ST LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 247, L.D. 709, Bill, "An Act To Require Public Hearings prior to State Agreements for Dam Removal"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act To Require Public Meetings prior to Dam Removal'**

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the enacting clause (page 1, lines 1 to 12 in L.D.)

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

**'Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §480-E, sub-§12 is enacted to read:**

12. Dam removal. A person intending to file an application for a permit to remove an existing dam must attend a preapplication meeting with the department and must hold a public informational meeting prior to filing the application. The preapplication meeting and the public informational meeting must be held in accordance with the department's rules on the processing of applications.

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2           **Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §634, sub-§4** is enacted to read:

4           **4. Dam removal.** A person intending to file an application  
6 for a permit to remove an existing dam must attend a  
8 preapplication meeting with the department and must hold a public  
10 informational meeting prior to filing the application. The  
preapplication meeting and the public informational meeting must  
be held in accordance with the department's rules on the  
processing of applications.'

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**SUMMARY**

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16           This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment requires a  
18 person who intends to file an application for a permit to remove  
20 an existing dam to attend a preapplication meeting with the  
22 Department of Environmental Protection and to hold a public  
informational meeting prior to filing the application. The  
meetings must be held in accordance with the department's rules  
on the processing of applications.

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**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
**(See attached)**

Approved: 04/10/03 *MAC*

**121st Maine Legislature  
Office of Fiscal and Program Review**

**LD 709**

**An Act To Require Public Meetings Prior to Dam Removal**



**LR 1133(02)**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"**

**Committee: Natural Resources**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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**Fiscal Note**

Minor cost increase - General Fund