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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT 'A' to S.P. 482, L.D. 1393, 'Resolve, To Authorize the Department of Conservation To Place Priority on Access to Certain Prominent Water Bodies under the Land for Maine's Future Program'

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

'Resolve, To Direct the Department of Conservation To Seek Public Access to Certain Prominent Water Bodies'

Further amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. Access to swift rivers. Resolved: That the Department of Conservation shall discuss with landowners and seek negotiations to acquire public access for all recreational uses to launching points on the Dead River and Kennebec River and the roads leading to the launching points, including, but not limited to, the Dead River Road located in West Forks Plantation, Lower Enchanted Township and T3 R5; and the Indian Pond Road, also known as the Harris Station Road, located in The Forks, Moxie Gore, East Moxie Township, Squaretown Township and Indian Stream Township. The department may seek money from the Land for Maine's Future Fund or the Public Access to Maine Waters Fund to acquire access via easements or fee acquisitions. The department may seek access via leases or other means using other funding sources; and be it further

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

R.ATS

2           **Sec. 2. Report to Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture,**  
3           **Conservation and Forestry. Resolved:** That the Department of  
4 Conservation shall report to the Joint Standing Committee on  
5 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry no later than January 6,  
6 2006 on the status of discussions and negotiations for access to  
7 launch sites on the Dead River and Kennebec River; and be it  
8 further

10           **Sec. 3. Legislation authorized. Resolved:** That the Joint  
11 Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry may  
12 report out a bill relating to public access to the Kennebec River  
13 and Dead River to the Second Regular Session of the 122nd  
14 Legislature.'

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### SUMMARY

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19           This amendment replaces the resolve. It removes explicit  
20 authorization to use the power of eminent domain. It directs the  
21 Department of Conservation to seek negotiations with landowners  
22 to acquire public access to launch sites on the Dead River and  
23 Kennebec River.

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**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)



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LD 1393

LR 1144(02)

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

**Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund