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H.P. 210

House of Representatives, February 10, 2015

An Act To Provide a Waiver of Short-term Camping Fees at State-owned Parks, Camping Areas and Beaches for Members of Federally Recognized Indian Tribes in the State

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BEAR of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians.
Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and
Representatives: DANA of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, DAVITT of Hampden, GIDEON of
Freeport, GRANT of Gardiner, McCABE of Skowhegan, MITCHELL of the Penobscot
Nation, RUSSELL of Portland, STANLEY of Medway.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §1819**, as amended by PL 2013, c. 1, Pt. J, §1 and c. 405, Pt. A,
3 §24, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

4 A member of a federally recognized Indian tribe in the State, as well as any family
5 member of the tribal member who is with the tribal member, may camp once a year at
6 any one state-owned park, camping area or beach for one overnight stay without having
7 to pay a camping fee.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill waives camping fees for the once-a-year, overnight stay of a member of a
10 federally recognized Indian tribe in the State, as well as any family member of the tribal
11 member who is with the tribal member, at any one state-owned park, camping area or
12 beach.