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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
132ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 164,
L.D. 261, "An Act Regarding the Authority of Municipalities to Regulate Timber
Harvesting"

Amend the amendment by inserting after the title the following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1.'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the 2nd instructional paragraph (page 1,
lines 13 to 15 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'Amend the bill in section 2 in subsection 8 by striking out all of paragraph E-1 (page
2, lines 42 to 44 in L.D.) and inserting the following:

'E-1. A municipal timber harvesting ordinance adopted after January 1, 2026 takes
effect only after certification by the bureau that the municipality adopted the timber
harvesting ordinance in accordance with the process requirements of this subsection.'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of the 4th instructional paragraph (page 1,
lines 18 to 20 in amendment).

Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment amends Committee Amendment "A" to remove from the bill the
change to the definition of "timber harvesting activities." It allows timber harvesting
ordinances adopted after January 1, 2026 to take effect only after certification by the
Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Forestry. It also removes
from the committee amendment an instruction to change the process for the clerk of a
municipality to notify the bureau of a timber harvesting ordinance.

SPONSORED BY: 

(Representative PLUECKER, B.)

TOWN: Warren

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

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HOUSE AMENDMENT



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LD 261

LR 1396(04)

An Act Regarding the Authority of Municipalities to Regulate Timber Harvesting

Fiscal Note for House Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" (H-500)

Sponsor: Rep. Pluecker of Warren

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund
Minor cost increase - Affected Municipalities

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry or to affected municipalities to adopt the changes in this amendment are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.