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L.D. 567

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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

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10 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 247, L.D. 567, "An Act to Designate the
2nd Week of May as Dark Sky Week"

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

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13 'An Act to Designate the 2nd Week of May and the 2nd Week of September as Dark
Sky Week'

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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the
following:

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'Sec. 1. 1 MRSA §150-W is enacted to read:

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§150-W. Dark Sky Week

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The 2nd full week in May and the 2nd full week in September of each year is designated
as Dark Sky Week to celebrate the dark skies of the State and to bring attention to the
effects of artificial light on spring bird migration and the importance of curbing artificial
light pollution. The Governor shall issue annually a proclamation inviting and urging
citizens and schools to observe each week with appropriate activities and study.'

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

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SUMMARY

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This amendment adds the 2nd full week in September of each year as an additional
Dark Sky Week and changes the title.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



132nd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 567

LR 1600(02)

An Act to Designate the 2nd Week of May as Dark Sky Week

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-541)
Committee: State and Local Government
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

The additional costs associated with designating the 2nd full week in May and the 2nd full week in September as Dark Sky Week are expected to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.