

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 105TH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "D " to H. P. 682, L. D. 919, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Forestry Cutting Practices for the Protection of Rivers, Streams and Lakes."

Amend said Bill in that part designated "<u>§ 519.</u>" by striking out all of the 3rd paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

'The commissioner may adopt such rules and regulations as he deems necessary to conduct hearings and keep minutes of all proceedings, which minutes shall be a public record available and on file in the office of the commissioner. The members of the board to hear complaints shall consist of the Forest Commissioner, the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game, Chairman of the Soil and Water Conservation Committee, the Chairman of the Environmental Improvement Commission, the Attorney General, one small land owner representing holdings under 8,000 acres of land, and one large land owner representing holdings over 8,000 acres of land. Members representing landowners shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council. Members shall not receive a salary but shall be reimbursed for all necessary expenses incurred in carrying out their duties from their respective departments. Three members shall constitute a quorum and no action shall be taken by the commissioner except on the vote of at least 3 members. The commissioner may call upon the Attorney General for such legal services as he may require.

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "<u>§ 519.</u>" by striking out all of the first paragraph of subsection 3.

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Statement of Fact

It is the intent of this amendment to provide representation for landowners on the commission.

Filed by Mr. Dyar of Strong.

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