

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1370

H. P. 1091 On Motion of Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Stubbs of Hallowell.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Concerning Municipal Recreation Fund Grants by the Department of Conservation.

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

12 MRSA § 602, sub-§ 14, as last amended by PL 1973, c. 460, § 19, is further amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read:

These grants-in-aid shall not be denied to any municipality whose governing body elects to restrict the use of any municipal recreation area to residents of that municipality as long as the municipality also elects to open that recreation area to all of its residents, regardless of race, religion, ethnic background or political belief.

STATEMENT OF FACT

At present, many small communities adjacent to large communities are precluded from developing municipal recreational areas because of the threat of being overwhelmed by large numbers of people from neighboring communities. This Act will allow these small communities to restrict the use of those areas to municipal residents, while still receiving grants-in-aid to develop those areas.