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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to H.P. 386, L.D. 476, Bill, "AN ACT to Establish an Environmental Coordination Procedure."

Amend the Bill in section 1 in the 7th line (6 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words <u>"a finding"</u> and inserting their in / place the following:

', but shall not require, a finding by the administering agency'

Further amend the Bill in section 1, in the 15th line (13 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words <u>"a finding"</u> their and inserting in / place the following:

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Statement of Fact

amendment

The / is intended to make the procedures for people of Maine to obtain environmental decisions from the Land Use Regulation Commission, Department of Environmental Protection Fisheries and the Department of Inland / and Wildlife simpler, more efficient and effective. It accomplishes this by allowing persons with projects in the unorganized areas to make application for all environmental permits to LURC. LURC would be responsible for working with other agencies to see that the criteria for all laws are satisfied and that the application is processed smoothly and efficiently. In most cases, the applicant would not even be aware of the fact that the other agencies are also processing applications under the various laws specified in the bill. amendment This / does not expand or reduce the jurisdiction of any of the agencies.

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Reported by the Committee on Natural Resources.

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