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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 108TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1267, L.D. 1494, RESOLVE,
Authorizing and Directing the Commissioner of Marine Resources,
the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the
Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission to Take the Steps Necessary
to Assure the Construction of a Fishway on the Dam Obstructing the
Kennebec River at Augusta.

Amend the Resolve by inserting at the end of the first paragraph before the colon the following: 'assure the construction of a fishway on the dam obstructing the Kennebec River at Augusta, and to'

Further amend the Resolve by adding at the end before the statement of fact the following:

'6. Edwards Manufacturing Co., Inc., and Augusta Development
Corporation. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
Edwards Manufacturing Co., Inc., and the Augusta Development
Corporation shall not be responsible for any expenses or costs
incurred in the implementation of this resolve; nor shall the
implementation of this resolve interfere in any way with the
operations of the Edwards Manufacturing Co., Inc., the Augusta
Development Corporation or their successors or assigns.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to specify that the intent of the resolve is that a fishway be constructed on the dam on the Kennebec River at Augusta.

In addition, this amendment takes note of the fact that Augusta

Development Corporation is a nonprofit local development corporation organized under the laws of the State. Edwards Manufacturing Co., Inc., is a Maine corporation engaged in the manufacture of textiles at the Edwards plant in Augusta. The Augusta Development Corporation holds title and leases to Edwards Manufacturing Co., Inc., all of the land, buildings, machinery, equipment, dam and electric generating facilities used in the operation of the Edwards mill in Augusta.

The cost of construction of the fishway at the Edwards dam or any interruption in the generation of electric current from the dam would seriously affect the ability of Edwards Manufacturing Co., Inc., to continue the operation of its textile mill.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife.

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