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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1858, L.D. 1925, Bill,  
"AN ACT to Permit Persons Other than Arborists to Take Down  
Trees by Topping or Sections."

Amend the bill by striking everything after the enacting  
clause and before the emergency clause and inserting in its  
place the following:

'32 MRSA §1951, sub-§1, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 347,  
§1, is further amended to read:

1. Arborist. "Arborist" Except as otherwise provided in  
this subsection, "arborist" means a person who, for compensa-  
tion, diagnoses or evaluates the condition of shade or ornamental  
trees; or solicits, recommends or supervises the treatment of  
such trees; or in any manner or for any purpose treats or cares  
for such trees or parts thereof; or takes down or fells such  
trees by topping or by sections; or for control of any diseases,  
injuries or insects, sprays or treats by any other method such  
trees or forest trees. "Arborist" shall not mean a person who,  
for compensation of \$250 or less during any 12 consecutive  
calendar months, takes down or fells the trees by topping or  
by section.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to permit an individual to earn up to \$250 during any 12 consecutive calendar months for taking down or felling trees by topping or by section. This will permit, for example, a homeowner to pay an acquaintance for assistance in removing a tree.

Reported by the Committee on Agriculture.

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