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STATE OF MAINE SENATE 108TH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 658, L.D. 2035, Bill,
"AN ACT to Provide for Specific Liability for Persons
or Corporations Contributing to a Public Nuisance."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

17 MRSA §2701-A is enacted to read:

§2701-A. Action against insect infestation

If the State Entomologist has reason to believe that
an insect infestation is a public nuisance and he is able to
identify the source or sources of the infestation, he may
refer all this information to the Attorney General. The
Attorney General may institute an action to abate the
nuisance and the court may order the abatement with costs as
provided under this chapter.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment removes the increase in the maximum forfeiture to \$10,000 a day, removes the specific statement that an insect infestation is a public nuisance and authorizes the Attorney General to institute an abatement action on the advice of the State Entomologist.

Reported by the Committee on Judiciary.

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