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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-783) 109TH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT " A" to H.P. 1623, L.D. 1733, Bill, "AN ACT to Authorize Cutting of Trees on State Park Lands."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the title and inserting its place the following:

'AN ACT Establishing Conditions for Forest Management in State Parks.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out everything after the amending clause and inserting in its place the following:

- 1 16. Forest management. The director may authorize employees of the Department of Conservation to harvest wood in state parks. He may authorize wood harvesting by others only when this cutting is required by deed conditions on specific lots. All cutting shall be subject to the following restrictions:
 - A. the cutting may not unreasonably impair the recreational use or natural values of the land;
 - B. the cutting shall be carried out in accordance with a written management plan certified by a registered professional Maine forester that is available in the principal offices of the bureau for public review and comment at least 60 days prior to cutting; and
 - the cutting shall be consistent with the management objectives of the bureau. '

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Statement of Fact

This amendment clarifies the language of the original bill. It also specifies that only department employees may cut wood, unless the deed restrictions of a particular parcel require harvesting. The amendment will ensure that any wood cutting will be done in a sound manner that will not interfere with recreational uses of land.

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