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COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE / ^{AMENDMENT} "A" to S.P. 51, L.D. 60, Bill, "AN ACT to Reduce the Minimum Size for Exempt Lots Subdivided Under the Land Use Regulation Law."

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

12 MRSA §682, sub-§2, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1971, c. 544, §28-B, is amended by adding at the end 3 new paragraphs to read:

Lots greater than 20 acres, but less than 40 acres, of such dimensions as to accommodate within the boundaries of each a rectangle measuring 400 feet by 800 feet, used exclusively as woodlots shall not be counted as lots. If the exemption created under this paragraph is relied upon to create a lot without the approval otherwise required by this chapter, no structure may be erected or the lot further divided for a period of 5 years from the creation of the lot without approval under this chapter and this restriction shall be set forth in any deed creating a woodlot under the exemption.

For the purposes of this subsection, "woodlot" means a tract or parcel of land used for timber production and with only structures or alterations necessary for timber management and harvesting.

Unless intended to circumvent this chapter, lots of 40 or more acres shall not be counted as lots.'

AMENDMENT

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE ^{to} S.P. 51, L.D. 60

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Statement of Fact

This amendment would create a special 20 acre exemption from the subdivision control provision of the Land Use Regulation Law, only to be used for the creation of woodlots. These woodlots would have to go through the review process if built upon or further divided during a 5-year period. Also, the dimensions of the woodlot would have to be such as to accommodate a rectangle measuring 400 feet by 800 feet.

In addition, the amendment would tighten up the existing 40 acre exemption by stating that such lots are exempt only if not created in order to circumvent the subdivision law.

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