

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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5 Legislative Document

No. 1892

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7 S.P. 685

In Senate, January 10, 1984

8 Submitted by the Department of Conservation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.
9 Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is
suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN, Secretary of the Senate

10 Presented by Senator Pearson of Penobscot.

Cosponsors: Representative Ridley of Shapleigh, Representative
McGowan of Pittsfield and Representative Dexter of Kingfield.

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12 STATE OF MAINE

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR

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17 AN ACT to Set Conditions for Timber
18 Harvesting in Certain State Parks.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 12 MRSA §602, sub-§16, as enacted by PL 1979, c.
23 637, is amended to read:

24 16. Forest management. The director may autho-
25 rize employees of the Department of Conservation to
26 harvest wood in state parks for the use of the bureau
27 wood harvesting on state park lands. He may authorize
28 wood harvesting by others only when this cutting is
29 required by deed conditions on specific lots. All
30 cutting shall be subject to the following restric-
31 tions:

32 A. The cutting may not unreasonably impair the
33 recreational use or natural values of the land;

1 B. The cutting shall be carried out in accord-
2 ance with a written timber management plan certi-
3 fied by a registered professional Maine forester
4 that is for each park property. The plan shall
5 be available in the principal offices of the bu-
6 reau for public review and comment at least 60
7 days prior to cutting; and

8 C. The cutting shall be consistent with the man-
9 agement objectives of the bureau; and

10 D. The cost of these timber management activi-
11 ties shall be paid from revenues received from
12 cutting. The balance of these receipts shall go
13 to the General Fund.

14 STATEMENT OF FACT

15 This bill allows timber harvesting on state park
16 lands, provided that it be done according to a plan
17 and that it not unreasonably impair the recreational
18 use or natural value of the land.

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