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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 267, L.D. 337,
Bill, "AN ACT to Amend the Maine Spruce Budworm Man-
agement Act."

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Amend the bill in section 2, in that part desig-
nated "§8426." by inserting after subsection 1 the
following new paragraph to read:

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'If the director finds that no spray project is nec-
essary in 1986, he shall make a determination of the
need for ongoing management program activities. The
director shall base his determination upon recommen-
dations of affected landowners and the public, and
other factors that the director deems to be in fur-
therance of the legislative policies of this subchap-
ter. On or before January 1, 1986, the director shall
report in writing to the Legislature his estimate of
the costs of implementation of the management program
activities determined to be necessary, along with a
complete description of the activities and the relat-
ed staff requirements. Management program activities
in a year without a spray project shall include only
necessary budworm survey and detection, research and
administration. The director shall include in his
report any recommended changes to this subchapter to
ensure the implementation of equitable methods for
financing ongoing budworm survey activities in years
with no spray project, consistent with the legisla-
tive policies of this subchapter.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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The purpose of this amendment is to require the
Director of the Maine Forest Service to justify and

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1 account for any management activities he proposes for
2 1986, if there is no budworm spray project. The di-
3 rector is required to submit a written report to the
4 Legislature based on legislative policy and on recom-
5 mendations from the landowners and the public. The
6 report will include:

7 1. A justification of the need for management
8 activities which are limited to budworm survey and
9 detection, research and administration;

10 2. A complete description of the activities in-
11 cluding staff requirements; and

12 3. Recommendations for a more equitable funding
13 mechanism to support management activities in
14 nonspray years beyond 1986.

15 The report mandated by this amendment will be
16 submitted by January 1, 1986.

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