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1	L.D. 2167
2	(Filing No. S-456)
. 3 4 5 6	STATE OF MAINE SENATE 112TH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION
7 8 9	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 855, L.D. 2167, Bill, "AN ACT to Enhance the Sound Use and Management of Maine's Coastal Resources."
10 11 12	Amend the Bill by striking out the first line after the enacting clause (page 1, line 23 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 'PART A'
13 14	Further amend the Bill in "PART I" by striking out all of section 3.
15 16 17 18	Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 4 in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the 9th line (page 6, line 28 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined word "comprehensive"
19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27	Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 4 in subsection 1 in paragraph B in the 9th line (page 7, line 25 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "processing plants" and inserting in their place the following: 'processing, storage and retail and wholesale marketing facilities' and in the 11th line (page 7, line 27 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words and punctuation "water-based recreational uses,"
28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36	Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 6 in subsection 2-A in paragraph A in subparagraph (3) in the 4th and 5th lines (page 8, lines 16 and 17 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "public assistance requested" and inserting in their place the following: 'cost of damage to local public facilities' and in the 2nd line from the end (page 8, line 19 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined word "revenues" and inserting in its place the following: 'budget'



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Further amend the Bill in "PART I" by striking 1 2 out all of sections 7, 8 and 9. 3 Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 11, in subsection 1-D in the 9th line (page 10, line 21 5 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words "processing plants" and inserting in their place the fol-6 lowing: 'processing, storage and retail and whole-sale marketing facilities' and in the 11th line (page 7 8 10, line 23 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined words and punctuation "water-based recreational 9 10 uses," 11 12 Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 12 13 in the last paragraph in the 7th and 8th lines (page 14 11, lines 33 and 34 in L.D.) by striking out the fol-15 lowing: "shoreland area shall be built with" and in-'floodway shall 16 serting in its place the following: 17 have' Further amend the Bill in "PART I" by striking 18 out all of sections 15, 16 and 17. 19 20 Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 21 by striking out all of the 3rd line after the amend-22 ing clause (page 14, line 24 in L.D.) and inserting 23 in its place the following: 24 '§1801. Findings and declaration of coastal manage-25 ment policies The Legislature finds that the Maine coast is an 26 27 asset of immeasurable value to the people of the State and the nation, and there is a state interest 28 in the conservation, beneficial use and effective management of the coast's resources; that development 29 30 of the coastal area is increasing rapidly and that 31 32 this development poses a significant threat to the 33 resources of the coast and to the traditional 34 livelihoods of its residents; that the United State

Congress has recognized the importance of coastal re-

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- sources through the passage of the United States
 Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 and that in 1978
 Maine initiated a coastal management program in accordance with this Act which continues to be of high
 priority; and that there are special needs in the
 conservation and development of the State's coastal
 resources that require a statement of legislative
 policy and intent with respect to state and local actions affecting the Maine coast.'
- Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 18 in that part designated "§1901." by striking out all of the first line (page 16, line 30 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'§1901. Findings and declaration of policy

The Legislature finds that Maine's coastal barriers and the adjacent wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets and nearshore waters contain resources of extraordinary scenic, scientific, recreational, natural, historic, archeological and economic importance that may be irretrievably damaged and lost due to development on and adjacent to those barriers; that Maine's coastal barriers provide habitats for migratory birds and other wildlife and habitats which are essential spawning, nursery, nesting and feeding areas for commercially and recreationally important species of finfish and shellfish, as well as other aquatic organisms; that Maine's coastal barriers serve as natural storm protective buffers and are generally unsuitable for development because they are vulnerable to hurricane and other storm damage and because natural shoreline recession and the movement of unstable sediments undermine manmade structures; and that the United States Congress has recognized the importance of coastal barriers through the United States Coastal Barrier Resources Act of 1982, United States Code, Title 16, Section 3509, established a identify coastal barriers and detailed process to prohibited the expenditure of federal funds that support activities incompatible with the ability of



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1	these fragile areas to accommodate those activities.
2 3 4 5	Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 18 in that part designated "§1902." by striking out all of the first paragraph (page 17, lines 3 to 7 in L.D.) and inserting in their place the following:
6 7 8 9	'Except as provided in section 1903, no state funds or state financial assistance may be expended for development activities within the coastal barrier resource system, including, but not limited to:'
10 11 12 13 14 15	Further amend the Bill in "PART I" in section 18 in that part designated "§1903." in subsection 1 in paragraph A in the 2nd line (page 17, line 24 in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined word and punctuation "expansion," the following: 'except where expansion is necessary in order to meet minimum design requirements,
17 18	Further amend the Bill in "PART I" by renumbering the sections to read consecutively.
19 20 21	Further amend the Bill in "PART II" by striking out all of the first line (page 20, line 31 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 'PART B'
22 23	Further amend the Bill in "PART II" by inserting after the 4th line the following:
24	'§5201. Findings and declaration of policy
25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	The Legislature finds and declares that public access to the Maine coast is of great importance to people of the State who make their living in the marine and maritime industries and to those who enjoy the natural beauty of our coastal shorelines; that the State of Maine and coastal municipalities own less than 3% of Maine's shoreline, the lowest percentage of publicly owned shoreline of any coastal
33 34	state in the United States; that the Maine coast is experiencing intense development pressure that is

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1	further limiting public access to the shore; and that
2	the rising costs of coastal shorefront property, to-
3	gether with the diminishing opportunities for access
4	to coastal shoreline, require the establishment of a
5	state program to encourage and support the acquisi-
6	tion of shoreland areas for public uses.
7	Further amend the Bill in "PART II" in that part
8	designated "§5202." in subsection 2 in paragraph A in
9	the first line (page 22, line 5 in L.D.) by striking
10	the first line (page 22, line 5 in L.D.) by striking out the underlined word "clammers" and inserting in
11	its place the following: 'shellfish and marine worm
12	harvesters'
13	Further amend the Bill in "PART II" in that part
14	designated "§5202." in subsection 2 in paragraph C in
15	the last line (page 22, line 10 in L.D.) by striking
16	out the underlined word "and"
	
17	Further amend the Bill in "PART II" in that part
18	designated "§5202." in subsection 2 in paragraph D in
19	the last line (page 22, line 12 in L.D.) by striking
20	out the underlined word and punctuation "areas." and
21	inserting in their place the following: areas; and
22	Further amend the Bill in "PART II" in that part
23	designated "§5202." by inserting at the end the fol-
24	lowing:
25	'E. The ability of a municipality or state agen-
26	cy to manage shoreline access in a manner that is
27	consistent with the natural carrying capacity of
28	the area accessed and to provide adequate essen-
29	tial public services.
30	Further amend the Bill in "PART II" by renumber-
31	ing those sections designated "§5201." and "§5202."
32	to be '§5202.' and '§5203.' respectively.
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1 STATEMENT OF FACT

 The original bill established a coastal resource management program. The program consists of several elements designed to address state and local interests in developing and conserving Maine's coastal resource. By and large, the program is designed to provide tools to the municipalities to protect coastal resources within their borders with guidance and some oversight from the State.

This amendment makes several clarifying amendments to the bill and deletes 2 elements of the proposed coastal resource management program. The provision authorizing municipalities to exact land or fees to be used for public access from subdividers in the coastal zone is deleted, section 3 of the bill. The provisions providing for Board of Environmental Protection review of the local enforcement of certain environmental ordinances are also deleted, sections 7, 8, 9, 15, 16 and 17 of the bill.

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