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2 (Filing No. H- 103) 3 STATE OF MAINE 4 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 5 113TH LEGISLATURE 6 FIRST REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " $\mathcal{H}$ " to H.P. 631, L.D. 854, 7 Bill, "AN ACT to Provide for Rural Community 8 Fire 9 Protection." 10 Amend the bill by adding after the enacting 11 clause the following: 12 'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §8002, sub-§2, ¶E is enacted to 13 read: E. The bureau may grant funds to municipalities 14 to strengthen local fire protection programs. Grants shall be made on a 50-50 cost-share basis 15 16 17 with local contributions, provided that the state 18 share for any one grant may not exceed 10% of the 19 bureau's funds earmarked for a program of grants 20 under this paragraph. Any municipality may apply 21 for a grant, provided that the grant will be used for forest fire control or related activities. 22 The department may promulgate rules to carry out the purposes and implementation of this para-23 24 25 graph. 26 Further amend the bill by inserting at the begin-27 ning of the first line after the enacting clause 28 (page 1, line 6 in L.D.) the following: 29 'Sec. 2.' 30 Further amend the bill in the appropriation by 31 striking out all of the 5th line (page 1, line 10 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following: 32 33 'CONSERVATION, DEPARTMENT OF 34 Division of Forest Fire 35 Control'

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 631, L.D. 854

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STATEMENT OF FACT

2 This amendment clarifies the purposes for which 3 the funds may be disbursed and provides specific 4 guidelines for the making of grants to local fire 5 protection programs.

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