

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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L.D. 1370

(Filing No. S-185 )

STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
114TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A " to S.P. 496, L.D. 1370, "Resolve, to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a Piscataqua River Basin Compact between Maine and New Hampshire"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of the 3rd and 4th resolve paragraphs from the end (page 2, lines 29 to 36 in L.D.) and inserting in their place the following:

**'Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall complete a progress report on its study by December 1, 1989, together with any preliminary recommendations for legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; and be it further

**Assistance. Resolved:** That the rivers coordinator of the Department of Conservation shall provide any necessary staff assistance for the commission; and be it further

**Reciprocal legislation. Resolved:** That this resolve shall become effective when similar legislation is enacted and becomes effective in New Hampshire; and be it further

**Compact. Resolved:** That this commission shall have the authority to draft a compact for joint management of the resources of the Piscataqua River Basin to be jointly approved by the State of Maine and the State of New Hampshire; and be it further'

Further amend the resolve by striking out all of the last resolve paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

**'Appropriation. Resolved:** That the following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this resolve.

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1989-90

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**Commission to Study the Feasibility  
of Establishing a Piscataqua River  
Basin Compact between Maine and New  
Hampshire**

Personal Services	\$990
All Other	5,600

Provides funds for legislative per diem for legislative members and travel and related expenses for all members of the commission.

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$6,590'</u>
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Further amend the resolve by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

Enactment of this bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$6,590 in fiscal year 1989-90 to fund the per diem, meeting and related expenses of the Commission to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a Piscataqua River Basin Compact between Maine and New Hampshire. Also, it is anticipated that all costs associated with providing staff assistance to the commission would be absorbed by the Department of Conservation utilizing existing resources.'

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

This amendment changes the original bill by requiring a progress report on the activities of the Commission to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a Piscataqua River Basin Compact between Maine and New Hampshire next December rather than a final report. It also shifts the staffing responsibility for the commission to the rivers coordinator of the Department of Conservation.

