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## 114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## SECOND REGULAR SESSION - 1990

### Legislative Document

No. 2193

S.P. 857

In Senate, January 16, 1990

Submitted by the Department of Conservation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.

Reference to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator KANY of Kennebec.

Cosponsored by Representative MICHAUD of East Millinocket, Representative ANDERSON of Woodland and Senator LUDWIG of Aroostook.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

An Act to Clarify the Qualifications for Membership on the Citizens' Forestry Advisory Council.

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(EMERGENCY)

2	become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
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6	Whereas, the Citizens' Forestry Advisory Council was established to advise the Commissioner of Conservation on all aspects of the Maine Forests for the Future Program; and
8	Whereas, the existing law, when broadly applied, eliminates
10	from consideration for membership many highly qualified individuals; and
12	Whoreas 4 out of 7 seets of the Citizens! Foreston Advisons
14	Whereas, 4 out of 7 seats of the Citizens' Forestry Advisory Council are vacant; and
16	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
18	Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
20	safety; now, therefore,
22	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
24	Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §5101-B, sub-§1, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 488, §6, is amended to read:
26	A. The council shall consist of 7 members, appointed by the
28	Governor, subject to review by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over natural
30 32	resources and to confirmation by the Legislature. Members of the council shall be chosen to represent the broadest possible interest and experience which can be brought to
	bear in the implementation of this chapter. Among the
34	<pre>public members, 5 must be knowledgeable in at least one of each of the following areas: forest management, forest</pre>
36	products utilization, fisheries and wildlife, recreation and conservation.
38	Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §5101-B, sub-§1, ¶E, as enacted by PL 1985, c.
40	488, §6, is repealed.
42	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.
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46	STATEMENT OF FACT
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50	This bill clarifies the criteria established in the law concerning the appointment of members to the Citizens' Forestry

Advisory Council. The amendment provides additional guidance for appointing members to assure that a balanced representation of views and interests is provided.

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