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House of Representatives, February 8, 1991

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative LORD of Waterboro. Cosponsored by Representative JACQUES of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

Resolve, to Establish a Maximum Water Level for Sebago Lake.

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Sec. 1. Maximum water elevation for Sebago Lake. Resolved: That the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, in conjunction with 2 the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, shall establish by rule a maximum water elevation for Sebago Lake. This maximum water elevation must fluctuate in accordance with the so-called 40-year curve for the years 1941-1986. This curve should have a plus tolerance of 3" and minus tolerance of 6" with the understanding that during 10-year or greater rain events the elevations may go above this tolerance for short periods of time 10 not to exceed 2 weeks and during dry periods the elevation may go lower as long as minimum flows are being maintained. Any change from this curve could only be made after S.D. Warren has done the necessary studies to demonstrate that the change would not be harmful to the entire Sebago Lake ecosystem and the Legislature has approved the changes; and be it further

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2. Sec. Implementing legislation. **Resolved:** That the 18 Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall submit implementing legislation to the First Regular Session of the 20 116th Legislature by December 1, 1992 to codify the maximum water elevation for Sebago Lake in the Maine Revised Statutes.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This resolve requires the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, in conjunction with the Commissioner of 28 Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, to establish a maximum water elevation 30 for Sebago Lake.