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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 589, L.D. 840, Bill, "An Act to Provide Greater Public Input into Public Lands Management"

Amend the bill by striking out everything the enacting clause and before the statement of fact and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §586, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

2. Expenditures from fund. Expenditures from the fund are subject to legislative approval in the same manner as appropriations from the General Fund. No money may be expended without allocation by the Legislature. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs must approve the allocations. In addition, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over natural resource matters must review allocations for the bureau's dedicated funds and any revenues of the bureau from permits, leases, fees and sales. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over natural resource matters must submit a written report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs on or before March 1st of each year.

Sec. 2. Review formation of advisory committee. The Director of the Bureau of Public Lands shall review and analyze the formation of an advisory committee for the Bureau of Public Lands. The director shall submit recommendations and any necessary implementing legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources by March 1, 1992.

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FISCAL NOTE

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6 Costs associated with the Joint Standing Committee on Energy
8 and Natural Resources' review of the Bureau of Public Lands
10 revenues and allocations and report to the Joint Standing
12 Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs will be
absorbed within the legislative budget. The Bureau of Public
Lands will be able to absorb the costs required to analyze the
formation of an advisory committee and to submit recommendations
to the Legislature.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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18 This amendment replaces the original bill to require
20 adoption of Bureau of Public Lands management plans under the
22 Maine Administrative Procedure Act and to undedicate the bureau's
24 funds. This amendment requires the Joint Standing Committee on
Energy and Natural Resources to approve the allocation of funds
within the bureau's dedicated funds. It also requires the
Director of the Bureau of Public Lands to study the concept of an
advisory committee for the Bureau of Public Lands and to bring
recommendations and implementing legislation to the Legislature
in 1992. This amendment also adds a fiscal note.

Reported by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
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