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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
117TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

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SENATE AMENDMENT " A " to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P.
311, L.D. 415, Bill, "An Act to Require Uniform Public Access and
Tax Status for Water Districts"

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Amend the amendment by striking out all of the fiscal note
and inserting in its place the following:

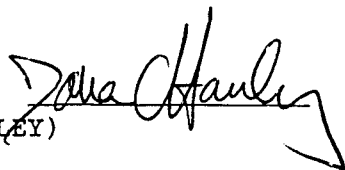
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'FISCAL NOTE

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This bill includes charter language for the Bangor Water
District that may go beyond the statutory property tax exemption
for water district property by adding treatment facilities to the
list of exempt items. Pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, the
State is required to reimburse municipalities for 50% of the lost
property tax revenues due to new or expanded property tax
exemptions.

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This bill requires the Bangor Water District to relinquish
water rights to 2 ponds and to pay taxes on certain formerly
tax-exempt properties. The additional costs of this state
mandate can not be determined at this time. Pursuant to the
Mandate Preamble, the 2/3 vote of all members elected to each
House exempts the State from the constitutional requirement to
fund 90% of the additional local costs.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment replaces the fiscal note in the committee
amendment.

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SPONSORED BY: 
(Senator HANLEY)

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COUNTY: Oxford