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H.P. 393

House of Representatives, February 14, 1995

**An Act to Amend the Site Location of Development Laws Relating to
Former Military Bases.**

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative JACQUES of Waterville.
Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CLUKEY of Houlton,
DESMOND of Mapleton, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, DRISCOLL of Calais, KNEELAND
of Easton, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, O'NEAL of Limestone, ROBICHAUD of Caribou,
ROWE of Portland, SAXL of Bangor, SIROIS of Caribou, WHEELER of Bridgewater.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §482, sub-§2**, as repealed and replaced by PL
1993, c. 680, Pt. C, §7, is amended to read:

6 **2. Development that may substantially affect the**
7 **environment.** "Development that may substantially affect the
8 environment," in this article also called "development," means
9 any federal, state, municipal, quasi-municipal, educational,
10 charitable, residential, commercial or industrial development
that:

12 A. Occupies a land or water area in excess of 20 acres;

14 B. Contemplates drilling for or excavating natural
16 resources on land or under water where the area affected is
in excess of 60,000 square feet;

18 C. Is a mining or advanced exploration activity as defined
20 in this section;

22 D. Is a structure as defined in this section; or

24 E. Is a subdivision as defined in this section.

26 "Development" does not include a borrow pits pit regulated under
28 article 7, or a former federal military base previously exempt
30 from this chapter that is transferred to a state or local
development authority, except to the extent development is
proposed on that base after the transfer and this development
otherwise meets the definition of "development."

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34 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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38 This bill excludes a former federal military base from the
40 definition of "development" in the site location of development
laws except that development proposed on that base after its
transfer to a development authority is not excluded.