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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
117TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 954, L.D. 1343, "Resolve, Establishing a Commission to Study the Trespass Laws"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 2. Appointment. Resolved: That the commission consists of the following 16 persons:

1. Three commissioners or their designees. The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Commissioner of Conservation, or their designees;

2. Ten private sector members. The president or executive director of the Maine Sheriffs' Association, the Maine Chiefs of Police Association, the Maine Forest Products Council, the Sportsman's/Forest Landowner Alliance, the Small Woodland Owners Association of Maine, Inc., the Maine Farm Bureau Association, the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, the Maine Snowmobile Association, Inc., the Governor's Council on Landowner/Sportsmen Relations and the Maine State Bar Association. The president or executive director of any of these organizations may name a person who is a member of the organization to serve in the president's or executive director's place;

3. Two legislative members. One member of the House of Representatives and one member of the Senate who are members of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The member of the House of Representatives is appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The member of the Senate is appointed by the President of the Senate; and

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2 **4. One public member.** One member of the public appointed
by the Governor.

4 All appointments must be made no later than 30 days after
the effective date of this resolve. Persons responsible for
6 making appointments under this section shall notify the Executive
Director of the Legislative Council of the names of the persons
8 appointed; and be it further

10 **Sec. 3. Convening the commission. Resolved:** That the chair of
the Legislative Council shall convene the first meeting of the
12 commission after all members of the commission have been
appointed; and be it further

14 **Sec. 4. Election of chair. Resolved:** That, at its first meeting,
16 the commission shall elect a chair from among its members. The
chair shall call all subsequent meetings of the commission; and
18 be it further

20 **Sec. 5. Compensation. Resolved:** That members of the
commission serve without compensation, except that members who
22 are Legislators are entitled to reimbursement of expenses related
to attending meetings of the commission; and be it further'

24 Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 4
26 and inserting in its place the following:

28 '**Sec. 4. Report. Resolved:** That the commission shall submit a
report, together with any necessary implementing legislation, to
30 the Second Regular Session of the 117th Legislature by December
1, 1995; and be it further'

32 Further amend the resolve by striking out all of section 5
34 and inserting in its place the following:

36 '**Sec. 5. Appropriation. Resolved:** That the following funds are
appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of
38 this resolve.

40 **1995-96**

42 **LEGISLATURE**

44 **Commission to Study Trespass Laws**

46 All Other \$1,050

48 Provides funds for the expenses of
legislative members and miscellaneous costs
50 of the Commission to Study Trespass Laws.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 Further amend the resolve by relettering or renumbering any
nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read
4 consecutively.

6 Further amend the resolve by inserting at the end before the
statement of fact the following:

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10 **FISCAL NOTE**

12 **1995-96**

14 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

16 General Fund \$1,050

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20 The Legislature will require a General Fund appropriation of
\$1,050 in fiscal year 1995-96 for the expenses of legislative
22 members and miscellaneous costs of the Commission to Study
Trespass Laws.

24 The additional costs to provide research, clerical and
computer assistance to the commission can be absorbed by the
26 Legislature utilizing existing budgeted resources.

28 The Department of Conservation, the Department of Public
Safety and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife will
30 incur some minor additional costs to participate as members of
the commission. These costs can be absorbed within the
32 departments' existing budgeted resources.'

34 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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38 This amendment adds one additional legislative member and
one person representing the Maine State Bar Association to the
40 list of members of the Commission to Study Trespass Laws. The
amendment also strikes that section of the bill requiring the
42 commission to raise outside revenue and changes the reporting
date from January 1, 1996 to December 1, 1995. Members of the
44 commission serve without compensation, except that legislative
members are entitled to reimbursement of expenses.