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'Further amend the bill in section 9 in that part designated 2 "<u>\$8869-A.</u>" in subsection 10 by striking out all of paragraph F (page 10, lines 7 to 10 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the 4 following:

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'<u>F. Municipal timber harvesting ordinances must be</u> consistent with generally accepted silvicultural practices.'

10 Further amend the amendment in section 10 in that part designated "<u>\$8870-C.</u>" by striking out all of subsection 1 (page 12 9, lines 19 to 48 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

 '1. Board established. The Sustainable Forest Management
 Audit Board, referred to in this subchapter as the "board," consists of 7 members representing a balance of interested
 parties with relevant forest management and ecological expertise, including participants in the program and the public, to develop
 and oversee implementation of the program by the Maine Forest Service. Appointments to the board are as follows:

- A. Three members must be appointed by the Governor;
- B. Two members must be appointed by the President of the26Senate; and
- 28 <u>C. Two members must be appointed by the Speaker of the</u> <u>House.</u>

All appointments must be made no later than January 1, 1997. Board members serve until the termination of the board. Any vacancy on the board must be filled by the same appointing authority as the initial appointment. Board members are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses. The Maine Forest Service shall provide staff assistance to the board.

38 <u>This subsection is repealed 90 days after adjournment of the</u> <u>Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature.'</u>

Further amend the amendment on page 17 by inserting before 42 the first indented paragraph the following:

- 44 'Sec. 20. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.
 - 1996-97

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2	Forest Management, Utilization and Marketing	
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	Positions - Legislative Count	(6.0)
6	Personal Services	\$110,460
	All Other	18,750
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	Total	\$129,210
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12	6 additional Forester I positions and related All Other costs for forestry	
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	APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS	
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	1997-98 and 1998-99 are approximately \$260,000 annua	
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34	SUMMARY	
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36	This amendment replaces language specifying	
2.0	ordinances "may not be unreasonable, arbitrary with the requirement that municipal ordinances	
38	with generally accepted silvicultural practices."	be consistent
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10	The amendment also changes appointments to t	the Sustainable
42	Forest Management Audit Board. The Governor appo	
	and the President of the Senate and the Speaker of	
44	appoint 2 members.	
46	Public Law 1989, chapter 555, which enac	
	regulating forest practices, originally envisioned	funding for 16
48	field forester positions. Only 8 of those	positions are

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currently funded in the Department of Conservation. This amendment requires full implementation of the 16 positions, one for each county.

4 6 SPONSORED BY: (Representative 8 GOOLEY) 10 TOWN: Farmington

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