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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1390, L.D. 1892, Bill, "An Act to Implement the Compact for Maine's Forests"

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Amend the bill by inserting after the enacting clause and before section 1 the following:

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'Sec. 1. 5 MRSa §1513, sub-§1-G is enacted to read:

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1-G. Transfer from Maine Rainy Day Fund; tree growth reimbursement. Notwithstanding subsection 2 and section 1585, an amount not to exceed \$3,000,804 in fiscal year 1996-97 may be transferred from the available balance in the Maine Rainy Day Fund to the tree growth reimbursement program in the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to be made available by financial order upon the recommendation of the State Budget Officer and approval of the Governor to be used to reimburse those municipalities eligible for reimbursement of lost tax year 1995-96 property tax revenues pursuant to Title 36, chapter 105, subchapter II-A.'

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

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FISCAL NOTE

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This amendment transfers \$3,000,804 in fiscal year 1996-97 from the Maine Rainy Day Fund to the tree growth tax reimbursement program. This amount fully funds the 90% reimbursement amount for eligible municipalities.

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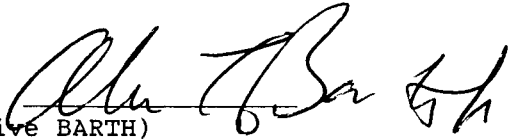
**SUMMARY**

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6 This amendment provides funding to reimburse eligible  
8 municipalities the full 90% amount required by law under the tree  
growth reimbursement program for the most recent property tax  
year. The current reimbursement amount is approximately 40%.

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