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**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Reported by: Senator Paradis

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**STATE OF MAINE  
SENATE  
118TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 48, L.D. 158, Bill, "An Act to Preserve Public Springs"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'An Act to Preserve Roadside Springs'**

Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

**'Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §2601, sub-§8-A is enacted to read:**

8-A. Roadside spring. "Roadside spring" means any spring, well or other water diverted by pipes for the use of the public to obtain water by using containers or other methods, including but not limited to water being diverted and collected by a landowner by tiles, pipes, catch basins, buildings or other appurtenances.

**Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §2604-A is enacted to read:**

**§2604-A. Roadside springs**

A roadside spring is not a public water system if the owner of the roadside spring does not collect, charge or accept donations, fees or money for the water or for testing or maintenance of the water and does not post signs or construct other structures that invite persons to use the spring.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

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The Department of Human Services will realize some minor savings from distinguishing roadside springs from public drinking water sources.'

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment replaces the bill. It provides a statutory definition for roadside spring, distinguishing roadside springs from public drinking water sources. It adds a fiscal note.

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