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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 200, L.D. 253, Bill, "An Act to Require a Search Warrant to Investigate Private Property for the Purpose of Forestry Examinations"

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

'An Act Concerning Entry to Investigate Private Property for the Purpose of Forestry Examinations'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §8869, sub-§11, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 555, §10, is amended to read:

11. Right of entry. Agents of the bureau shall have rights of access to all lands within the State to carry out the duties they are authorized by law to administer and enforce. ~~Entry into private property under this subsection is not a trespass.~~ This subsection does not authorize entry into any building or structure.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

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This amendment replaces the bill. It amends the "right of entry" provision in the forest practices law to remove the sentence exempting agents of the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Forestry from the application of trespass laws.

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