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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
119TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 738, L.D. 1028, Bill, "An Act to Prevent Tampering With Indian Archeological Sites"

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

'Resolve, to Prevent Tampering With Indian Archeological Sites'

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. Maine Historic Preservation Commission report on protection of Indian archeological sites. Resolved: That the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the Representatives of the Penobscot Nation and the Passamaquoddy Tribe jointly shall conduct a review of the threats to Native American archeological sites from looting and vandalism and report their recommendations for implementing a monitoring or stewardship program for site protection and preservation. The review must also involve the following law enforcement agencies: the Maine Warden Service, the Maine Forest Service, the Bureau of Marine Patrol and local and state law enforcement. The review must also involve the Native American community and other interested parties. The Maine Historic Preservation Commission must report to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs by January 15, 2000 with their findings, recommendations and any necessary implementing legislation.'

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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

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FISCAL NOTE

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The Maine Historic Preservation Commission will incur some
minor additional costs to issue a report on the protection of
10 Indian archaeological sites. These costs can be absorbed within
the commission's existing budgeted resources.'

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SUMMARY

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The amendment eliminates the \$10,000 General Fund
appropriation and replaces it with a requirement to report on the
18 protection of Indian archeological sites by the Maine Historic
Preservation Commission.