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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
119TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to S.P. 397, L.D. 1188, Bill, "An Act to Amend Law Enforcement Powers of Maine Forest Rangers"

Amend the bill by inserting before section 1 the following:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §8869, sub-§11, as amended by PL 1997, c. 694, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

11. Rights of access. An agent of the bureau has rights of access to land equivalent to those rights of access of a sheriff or a sheriff's deputy in the sheriff's county. This subsection does not authorize entry into any building or structure.

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §8901, sub-§2, ¶H, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 174, §2, is amended to read:

H. Have rights of access to all lands within the State equivalent to those rights of access of a sheriff or a sheriff's deputy in the sheriff's county to carry out the duties they are authorized by law to administer and enforce. Entry into private property under this paragraph is not a trespass. This paragraph does not authorize entry into any building or structure.'

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT

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**SUMMARY**

This amendment provides an agent of the Bureau of Forestry with rights of access to land equivalent to those rights of access of a sheriff or a sheriff's deputy in the sheriff's county.

SPONSORED BY:   
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