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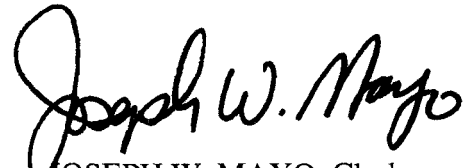
No. 1844

H.P. 1283

House of Representatives, March 16, 1999

**An Act to Protect Taxpayers Against Open-ended Maintenance
Expenditures on Property Transferred to the State.**

Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative JOY of Crystal.
Cosponsored by Representative CAMPBELL of Holden.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §598-C is enacted to read:**

6 **§598-C. Lands gifted to the State**

8 If a person or organization donates, gives, grants or wills
10 by deed of gift land to the State, the person or organization
12 shall make provisions to provide for the future maintenance and
14 upkeep of the land. If provisions for the future maintenance and
16 upkeep of the land are not adequate at the time of transfer, the
18 State or its designated receiving agency may not accept the deed.

20 **SUMMARY**

This bill requires a person or organization who donates land to the State to provide for the future maintenance and upkeep of the land. If the provisions for the future maintenance and upkeep of the land are not adequate at the time of transfer, the State or its designated agency may not accept the donation.