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H.P. 1444

House of Representatives, March 30, 1999

An Act to Amend the Posting Requirements of Harvested Wood Lots.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

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

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative TRAHAN of Waldoboro. Cosponsored by Representatives: CARR of Lincoln, FOSTER of Gray, GILLIS of Danforth, JOY of Crystal, McNEIL of Rockland, SAVAGE of Union, TRACY of Rome, TRUE of Fryeburg.

	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not
2	become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
	as emergencies; and
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	Whereas, logging is a vital part of the State's economy; and
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•	Whereas, current law requiring the posting of certain
8	information at logging sites aids in the theft of timber by making it easier to transport and sell stolen timber using the
10	information posted at the site; and
10	information posted at the site, and
12	Whereas, timber theft is a serious problem that merits
	immediate attention by the Legislature; and
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	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
16	create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of
	Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
18	necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and
20	safety; now, therefore,
20	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
22	Do it discoud by the a copie of the state of Manie as tono with
	Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §8883, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1997, c. 648,
24	§6, is further amended to read:
26	3. Notification form on file. The landowner or designated
	agent shall retain a copy of the notification form and produce it
28	upon request of agents as specified in section 8888. The
	landownerordesignatedagentshallpostacopyofthe
30	notificationformattheharvestfiteinaclearlyvisible
	lecation.
32	Transport along the state of th
34	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.
34	preamble, this Act taxes effect when approved.
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20	SUMMARY
38	Commands land manufacts making the first transfer of the first tra
40	Current law requires notification forms containing certain information about timber harvesting to be posted at the site of
1 0	the harvesting. This hill removes that requirement

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