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H.P. 1526

House of Representatives, April 9, 1999

Resolve, to Address Liquidation Harvesting.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative WATSON of Farmingdale.
Cosponsored by Representatives: COWGER of Hallowell, FULLER of Manchester, McKEE of Wayne, PIEH of Bremen, SAXL of Portland, VOLENIK of Brooklin, Senators: NUTTING of Androscoggin, PINGREE of Knox.

2 **Sec. 1. Development recommendations. Resolved:** That the Maine
Forest Service shall develop recommendations for how to end the
practice of liquidation harvesting in Maine's forests described
4 in the 1998 report, Timber Liquidation in Maine: A Report by the
Maine Forest Service. In developing its recommendations, the
6 Maine Forest Service shall consider the heavy cutting law and the
timber gains tax law adopted by the State of Vermont and any
8 other possible solutions; and be it further

10 **Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the Maine Forest Service shall
present its recommendations, together with any necessary
12 implementing legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on
Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry by December 31, 1999. The
14 Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and
Forestry may submit legislation in the Second Regular Session of
16 the 119th Legislature to implement the recommendations of the
Maine Forest Service.

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SUMMARY

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This resolve directs the Maine Forest Service to develop
recommendations to end the practice of liquidation harvesting in
24 Maine's forests.