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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1925, L.D. 2671, Bill, "An Act to Implement Municipal Recommendations Regarding Surface Water Use on Great Ponds"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the emergency clause and inserting in its place the following:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7801, sub-§20, ¶¶M and N, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 739, §5, are amended to read:

M. Operates a motorboat equipped with a motor greater than 10 horsepower on Upper Hadlock Pond or Lower Hadlock Pond on Mount Desert Island in Hancock County; ~~or~~

N. Operates a personal watercraft in violation of section 685-C, subsection 10 or any rule adopted by the commission to implement that subsection; ~~i~~

Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7801, sub-§20, ¶¶O, P, Q and R are enacted to read:

O. Operates a watercraft at greater than headway speed on any area of Torsev Lake within 1/2 mile from the boat launch on Desert Pond Road in the Town of Mount Vernon;

P. Operates a watercraft at greater than headway speed on any area of Torsev Lake within 1/2 mile from the boat launch on Old Kents Hill Road in the Town of Readfield;

Q. Operates a watercraft equipped with a motor greater than 10 horsepower on Cold Rain Pond in the Town of Naples; or

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2 R. Operates a watercraft equipped with a motor greater than
4 5 horsepower on Moose Pond in the Town of Otisfield.

6 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7801, sub-§35**, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 400,
§1, is amended to read:

8 **35. Illegally operating personal watercraft in prohibited**
10 **area.** A person is guilty of operating a personal watercraft in a
prohibited area if that person operates a personal watercraft on:

12 ~~A. Operates--a--personal--watercraft--on~~ Mud Pond, Oversett
14 ~~Pond, South Pond, Round Pond, Twitchell Pond, Hicks Pond or~~
~~Furlong Pond in the Town of Greenwood in Oxford County;~~

16 ~~B. Operates--a--personal--watercraft--on~~ North Pond or Bryant
18 ~~Pond, also known as Christopher Lake, in the Town of~~
~~Greenwood and the Town of Woodstock in Oxford County;~~

20 ~~C. Operates--a--personal--watercraft--on~~ Concord Pond, Little
22 ~~Concord Pond or Shagg Pond in the Town of Woodstock in~~
~~Oxford County;~~

24 ~~D. Operates--a--personal--watercraft--on~~ Hamilton Pond in Bar
26 ~~Harbor in Hancock County; or~~

28 ~~E. Operates--a--personal--watercraft--on~~ Bog Lake or Horseshoe
Lake in the Town of Northfield in Washington County;:

30 F. Megunticook Lake in the Town of Camden and the Town of
32 Hope in Knox County and the Town of Lincolnville in Waldo
County;

34 G. Norton Pond in the Town of Lincolnville in Waldo County;

36 H. Pitcher Pond in the Town of Lincolnville and the Town of
38 Northport in Waldo County;

40 I. Torsey Lake in the Town of Mount Vernon and the Town of
Readfield in Kennebec County;

42 J. Trickey Pond in the Town of Naples in Cumberland County;

44 K. Brandy Pond in the Town of Naples in Cumberland County
46 between sunset and 9:00 a.m.;

48 L. Fulton Lake in the Town of Northfield in Washington
County;

50 M. Knight Pond in the Town of Northport in Waldo County;

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N. Moose Pond or Saturday Pond in the Town of Otisfield in Oxford County;

O. Tripp Pond, Upper Range Pond or Middle Range Pond in the Town of Poland in Androscoggin County; or

P. Keewaydin Lake, Virginia Lake, Trout Pond, Weymouth Pond or Whitney Pond in the Town of Stoneham in Oxford County.

Sec. 4. 12 MRSA §7801, sub-§36 is enacted to read:

36. Operating rented or leased personal watercraft without identification decal. A person is guilty of operating a rented or leased personal watercraft without an identification decal if that person operates a rented or leased personal watercraft on Brandy Pond in the Town of Naples that does not have a clearly visible decal affixed to the personal watercraft that identifies the rental agent.

Sec. 5. Preparation of identification decals. The Naples Conservation Commission shall, in cooperation with businesses that rent or lease personal watercraft for use on Brandy Pond in the Town of Naples design and provide to those businesses the identification decals required by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 7801, subsection 36.'

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

SUMMARY

This the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

This amendment is the same as the bill except that it removes from the bill surface water use recommendations on 11 great ponds that were rejected by the subcommittee that reviewed the initial recommendations but were subsequently included in the bill by a majority vote of the committee.

Specifically, this amendment removes recommendations to prohibit the operation of personal watercraft on Hobbs Pond, Fish

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Pond and Alford Lake in the Town of Hope, on Coleman Pond in the Town of Lincolnville, on Lermond Pond in the Town of Union and the Town of Hope, on Pocasset Lake and Pickerel Pond in the Town of Wayne, on Androscoggin Lake in the Town of Wayne and the Town of Leeds and on Little Cobbosseecontee Lake in the Town of Winthrop. For the same reason, this amendment also removes the prohibition on motors over 10 horsepower on Holt Pond in the Town of Naples and the Town of Bridgton and removes a requirement that decals be affixed to rented personal watercraft operating on Long Lake in the Town of Naples, the Town of Bridgton and the Town of Harrison.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT