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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 287, L.D. 365, Bill, "An Act to Restore the Passage of Alewives on the St. Croix River"

Amend the amendment in section 1 in that part designated "~~§6134.~~" by striking out all of subsection 1 and inserting in its place the following:

'1. Fishways and passage of alewives. By May 1, 2002, the commissioner and the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall ensure that fishways on the Woodland Dam on the St. Croix River are configured or operated in a manner that allows the passage of no more than 5,000 alewives per year. The commissioner and the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall ensure that fishways on the Grand Falls Dam on the St. Croix River are configured or operated in a manner that prevents the passage of alewives.'

Further amend the amendment in section 1 in that part designated "~~§6134.~~" by striking out all of subsection 3 and inserting in its place the following:

'3. Closure of fishways on Woodland Dam on St. Croix River. The commissioner and the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, or their successor agencies, have rule-making authority to temporarily or permanently close fishways on the Woodland Dam on the St. Croix River if the commissioners concur in their assessment that the fisheries in the St. Croix River are

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2 suffering an adverse impact from the presence of anadromous fish
4 utilizing the fishways on the Woodland Dam on the St. Croix
6 River. The commissioners shall issue a report to the joint
8 standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over
10 inland fisheries and wildlife matters and the joint standing
12 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over marine
14 resources matters within 90 days of closure of the fishways.
16 Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical
18 rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A.'

12 SUMMARY

14 This amendment provides that, by May 1, 2002, the
16 Commissioner of Marine Resources and the Commissioner of Inland
18 Fisheries and Wildlife shall ensure that fishways on the Woodland
20 Dam on the St. Croix River are configured or operated in a manner
22 that allows the passage of no more than 5,000 alewives per year.
It also requires the commissioners to ensure that fishways on the
Grand Falls Dam on the St. Croix River are configured or operated
in a manner that prevents the passage of alewives.

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