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H.P. 1328

House of Representatives, May 3, 2001

**An Act to Implement Municipal Recommendations Regarding Surface
Water Use on Great Ponds.**

Reported by the Majority from the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and
Wildlife pursuant to 2001 Joint Order, H.P. 612.

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

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

4 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7801, sub-§35, ¶¶W and X,** as enacted by PL
1999, c. 697, §3, are amended to read:

6 W. Long Pond in the Town of Mount Desert and the Town of
Southwest Harbor; or

8 X. Little Long Pond in the Town of Mount Desert;

10 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7801, sub-§35, ¶¶Y to CC** are enacted to read:

12 Y. Meetinghouse Pond, Big Pond, Wat Tuh Lake, Center Pond
14 and Silver Lake, also known as Silver Pond, in the Town of
Phippsburg in Sagadahoc County;

16 Z. South Branch Lake in the Plantation of Seboeis and the
18 Township of T2 R8 NWP in Penobscot County;

20 AA. Spring Lake in Spring Lake Township in Somerset County;

22 BB. Kennebago Lake and Kennebago River in Davis Township
24 and Stetsontown Township in Franklin County; or

26 CC. Nicasious Lake in the Townships of T40 MD, T41 MD and T3
ND in Hancock County.

28 **FISCAL NOTE**

30 This bill may increase prosecutions for Class E crimes. If
32 a jail sentence is imposed, the additional costs to the counties
are estimated to be \$83.36 per day per prisoner. The number of
34 prosecutions that may result in a jail sentence and the resulting
costs to the county jail system are expected to be insignificant.

36 The additional workload and administrative costs associated
38 with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system
can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial
40 Department. The collection of additional fines may increase
General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

42 **SUMMARY**

44 This bill prohibits the use of personal watercraft on
46 Meetinghouse Pond, Big Pond, Wat Tuh Lake, Center Pond and Silver
48 Lake, also known as Silver Pond, in the Town of Phippsburg,

2 Sagadahoc County; South Branch Lake in the Plantation of Seboeis
and the Township T2 R8 NWP, Penobscot County; Spring Lake, in
4 Spring Lake Township, Somerset County; Kennebago Lake and
Kennebago River in Davis Township and Stetsontown Township,
6 Franklin County; and Nicaous Lake, in the Townships of T40 MD,
T41 MD and T3 ND in Hancock County.