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INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1066, L.D. 1519, Bill, "An Act Regarding Published Descriptions of Recreational Trails That Cross Certain Parcels of Private Property"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, To Address the Unauthorized Publication of Information Concerning Recreational Trails That Cross Private Property'

Further amend the bill by striking everything after the title and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and Department of Conservation to resolve conflicts. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Department of Conservation shall work with the Executive Department, State Planning Office, private property owners and interested parties to resolve conflicts regarding the publication, without landowner knowledge or consent, of descriptions of recreational trails or portions of recreational trails that cross private property; and be it further

Sec. 2. Program. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Department of Conservation shall develop and implement a program that:

A. Helps to ensure that published materials and website information describing recreational trails provide notice when a recreational trail crosses private property;

B. Encourages recreational users to be respectful of private property and makes those users aware when landowners

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2 are voluntarily allowing the public to use recreational
trails and that they have the right to limit the use of or
completely close such a trail or portions of such a trail;

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6 C. Advises nonprofit entities, authors, media and others
who publish materials about recreational trails to ascertain
whether or not a trail crosses private property and
8 encourages them to obtain written permission to publish
information about such a trail from the landowner; and

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12 D. Helps prevent unauthorized publication of information
about recreational trails located on private property; and
be it further

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16 **Sec. 3. Report. Resolved:** That the Department of Inland
Fisheries and Wildlife and the Department of Conservation shall
jointly provide the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries
18 and Wildlife a report regarding the program and its
implementation pursuant to this resolve no later than January 2,
20 2006.'

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24 **SUMMARY**

26 This amendment replaces the bill, which is a concept draft,
with a resolve. It requires the Department of Inland Fisheries
and Wildlife and the Department of Conservation to work with the
28 Executive Department, State Planning Office, landowners and other
interested parties to develop and implement a program that
30 ensures that publications regarding recreational trails that
cross private property are authorized by the affected landowner,
32 notifies readers that the trail crosses private property and
encourages trail users to be respectful of private property. It
34 also requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and
the Department of Conservation to jointly report to the Joint
36 Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife regarding the
program and its implementation no later than January 2, 2006.

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40 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**
(See attached)

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Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund