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5 STATE OF MAINE

6 SENATE

7 123RD LEGISLATURE

8 FIRST REGULAR SESSION

9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 92, L.D. 277, Bill, "An Act To Require  
10 Mapping of Conservation Easements, Purchases and Gifts"

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

12 'An Act To Require Mapping of Conservation Easements and Public Lands'

13 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the  
14 summary and inserting the following:

15 'Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §6206, sub-§1, ¶E, as amended by PL 2005, c. 215, §1, is  
16 further amended to read:

17 E. On January 1st of every odd-numbered year, report to the joint standing  
18 committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over matters pertaining to state parks  
19 and public lands on expenditures from the Land for Maine's Future Fund and the  
20 Public Access to Maine Waters Fund and revisions to the strategies and guidelines.  
21 This report must include a description of access to land and interest in land acquired  
22 during the report period. If an acquisition has been made that does not include  
23 guaranteed public vehicular access to the land acquired, the board must provide  
24 justification for that acquisition and a plan for continuing efforts to acquire  
25 guaranteed public access to the land. This report must include a summary of the  
26 board's experience during the reporting period with projects funded pursuant to  
27 section 6203 or 6203-A and in which the land or interest in land is acquired by a  
28 cooperating entity. This report must also include on a county-by-county basis a  
29 summary of the expenditures made by the board and acreage conserved through  
30 acquisition of fee or less-than-fee interest by the board during the report period. Each  
31 report must include cumulative totals by county of acreage conserved through  
32 acquisition of fee or less-than-fee interest through action by the board.

33 The report must include maps based on available information and at a statewide level  
34 that show federal, state and other public lands and permanent interests in lands held  
35 for conservation purposes. The maps must also provide a representation of the

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1 amount of land affected by conservation easements under Title 33, chapter 7,  
2 subchapter 8-A. Other state agencies holding conservation lands and interests in  
3 lands held for conservation purposes shall assist in the preparation of the maps.'

## 4 SUMMARY

5 This amendment replaces the bill. It directs the Land for Maine's Future Board to  
6 include in its biennial report maps depicting publicly owned land and permanent interests  
7 in land held for conservation purposes. The maps are to provide a representation at a  
8 statewide level of the amount of land affected by conservation easements.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)



Approved: 06/04/07 *mac*

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## An Act To Require Mapping of Conservation Easements, Purchases and Gifts

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

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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### Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The additional costs associated with this legislation can be absorbed by the State Planning Office utilizing existing budgeted resources.