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### An Act To Control Flooding

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Reference to the Committee on Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Joy J. O'Brien'.

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec.  
Cosponsored by Senator: MARTIN of Aroostook, Representatives: CANAVAN of Waterville,  
CROCKETT of Augusta, FLETCHER of Winslow, SILSBY of Augusta.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §465-A, sub-§1, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 698, §15, is  
3 amended to read:

4 A. Class GPA waters shall be of such quality that they are suitable for the designated  
5 uses of drinking water after disinfection, recreation in and on the water, fishing,  
6 industrial process and cooling water supply, flood control, hydroelectric power  
7 generation and navigation and as habitat for fish and other aquatic life. The habitat  
8 shall be characterized as natural.

9 **Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §465-A, sub-§1, ¶A**, as amended by PL 2003, c. 227, §5 and  
10 affected by §9 and PL 2005, c. 561, §10, is further amended to read:

11 A. Class GPA waters must be of such quality that they are suitable for the designated  
12 uses of drinking water after disinfection, recreation in and on the water, fishing,  
13 agriculture, industrial process and cooling water supply, flood control, hydroelectric  
14 power generation, navigation and as habitat for fish and other aquatic life. The  
15 habitat must be characterized as natural.

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This bill adds flood control to the list of suitable designated uses for Class GPA  
18 waters.