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L.D. 1414  
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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
123RD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to H.P. 997, L.D. 1414, Bill, "An Act To Support Farms and Limit Sprawl"

Amend the bill in section 1 in §60 in subsection 2 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "30-year"

Amend the bill in section 1 in §60 in subsection 2 in paragraph A in the 2nd line (page 1, line 16 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "easement" the following: 'up to the fair market value of the easement'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §60 in subsection 3 in paragraph B in the first line (page 1, line 23 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "30" and inserting the following: 'not less than 20'

Amend the bill in section 1 in §60-A in subsection 3 in the 6th line (page 2, line 13 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "are nullified and are void and of no effect" and inserting the following: 'are void and may not be given effect'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment provides that farm support payments may be an amount up to 100% of property taxes assessed by a municipality but no more than the fair market value of the easement provided to the municipality under the farm support arrangement. The amendment also provides that a qualified easement that is part of a farm support arrangement may be for any term not less than 20 years. The amendment also makes a technical change.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



Approved: 05/22/07 *mac*

# 123rd MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1414

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**An Act To Support Farms and Limit Sprawl**

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

**Committee: Taxation**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund