

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1004

House of Representatives, March 15, 2007

### **An Act To Compensate Property Owners for Property Designated as a Significant Wildlife Habitat**

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

*Millicent M. MacFarland*  
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative JOY of Crystal.  
Cosponsored by Senator RAYE of Washington and  
Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, CRAY of Palmyra, CURTIS of Madison,  
GIFFORD of Lincoln, RICHARDSON of Carmel, RICHARDSON of Greenville,  
THIBODEAU of Winterport, Senator: SHERMAN of Aroostook.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §480-CC** is enacted to read:

3 **§480-CC. Compensation to property owner**

4 The State shall compensate a person that owns land designated as a significant  
5 wildlife habitat with an annual rent in an amount equal to the fair market value of the loss  
6 of use of the land.

7 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill requires the State to compensate a person that owns land designated as a  
9 significant wildlife habitat with an annual rent in an amount equal to the fair market value  
10 of the loss of use of the land.