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**INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**SENATE**

**124TH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 85, L.D. 244, "Resolve, To Ensure Transparency in Funding Certain Programs within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife"

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

**Sec. 1. Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to create a methodology to determine new unfunded requirements. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall develop a methodology to articulate how the activities of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife have benefited the general public and to determine what the general public expects from the department. The methodology must also allow the department to readily determine any new financial requirements or mandates on the department that require expenditures by the department that are not funded by the General Fund other than money subject to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 22 or by other special revenues or federal funds. The methodology must be designed to be effective on an ongoing basis; and be it further

**Sec. 2. Report to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall report the methodology that has been developed under section 1 to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 5, 2010. The Joint standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife may submit legislation needed to implement the methodology developed pursuant to this resolve to the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the resolve and requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to develop a methodology to articulate how Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife activities have benefited the general public and to determine what the general public expects from the department. The methodology must also allow the department to readily determine any new financial requirements or mandates on the

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1 department that require expenditures by the department that are not funded by the  
2 General Fund other than money subject to the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section  
3 22 or by other special revenues or federal funds. It also requires the Commissioner of  
4 Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to report the methodology to the Joint Standing Committee  
5 on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 5, 2010.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**



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LD 244

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**Resolve, To Ensure Transparency in Funding Certain Programs within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"  
Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife  
Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

Additional costs to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.