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L.D. 348 (Filing No. S- **21**)

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9 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 112, L.D. 348, Bill, "An Act To 10 Facilitate the Removal of Dams That Pose a Hazard to Public Safety and the Installation 11 and Repair of Fishways"

Amend the bill in section 3 in subsection 27 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 19 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "or performed"

Amend the bill in section 4 by striking out all of subsection 28 (page 1, lines 23 to 25 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

28. Release of water from dam after petition by owner for release from dam ownership or water level maintenance. Activity associated with the release of water from a dam pursuant to an order issued by the department pursuant to section 905; and'

SUMMARY

20 This amendment amends the exemption for fishway proceedings in the bill to be consistent with the provisions in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 12760 and 21 Title 12, section 6121. The bill exempts from the Natural Resources Protection Act the 22 23 erection, maintenance, repair or alteration of a fishway in a dam when required or 24 performed by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife or the Commissioner of 25 Marine Resources; the amendment removes "or performed." The amendment also 26 amends the exemption for abandoned dams by removing the term "abandoned" to be 27 consistent with provisions in Title 38, section 905.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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An Act To Facilitate the Removal of Dams That Pose a Hazard to Public Safety and the Installation and Repair of Fishways

> Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" Committee: Natural Resources Fiscal Note Required: Yes

	Fiscal Note			
	2009-10	2010-11	Projections 2011-12	Projections 2012-13
Revenue Other Special Revenue Funds	(\$591)	(\$591)	(\$591)	(\$591)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill amends the Natural Resources Protection Act to not require a permit for certain dam or fishway modifications or activities when required by the Departments of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Marine Resources, Environmental Protection and Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management. The reduction in permits will result in an ongoing estimated loss of revenue each year of \$591 to the Department of Environmental Protection.