

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 319

House of Representatives, February 10, 2009

### An Act To Make the Site Location of Development Laws More Development Friendly

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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 FINCH of Fairfield.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §482, sub-§6, ¶B,** as amended by PL 1993, c. 383, §18 and  
3 affected by §42, is further amended to read:

4 B. Buildings, parking lots, roads, paved areas, wharves or areas to be stripped or  
5 graded and not to be revegetated that cause a total project to occupy a ground area in  
6 excess of 3 acres. Stripped or graded areas that are ~~not~~ revegetated within ~~a calendar~~  
7 year 10 years of being stripped or graded are not included in calculating the 3-acre  
8 threshold.

9 **SUMMARY**

10 The site location of development laws currently require state review of any proposed  
11 structure that would result in a total project occupying a ground area in excess of 3 acres.  
12 This 3-acre threshold for review includes areas that are stripped or graded and not  
13 revegetated within one calendar year. This bill extends from one year to 10 years the  
14 amount of time a developer has to revegetate stripped or graded areas before those areas  
15 can be included in calculating the 3-acre site law review threshold.