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L.D. 862

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ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
125TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 266, L.D. 862, "Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Amend Its Rules Governing the Length of Time Certain Permits Are Valid "

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

'Sec. 1. Department of Environmental Protection to amend rules. Resolved: That the Department of Environmental Protection shall amend its rules relating to the Natural Resources Protection Act and the laws governing site location of development and storm water to provide that permits issued with respect to these laws are valid for 4 years after they are issued and that a person who holds such a permit has 7 years to complete a project pursuant to such a permit.'

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that the Department of Environmental Protection is required to amend its rules relating to the Natural Resources Protection Act. It also changes the time periods in the resolve to provide that permits issued with respect to the Natural Resources Protection Act and laws governing site location of development and storm water are valid for 4 years after they are issued and that a person who holds such a permit has 7 years to complete a project pursuant to that permit.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



Approved: 04/24/11 *MAC*

125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 862

LR 1710(02)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection To Amend Its Rules Governing the Length of Time Certain Permits Are Valid

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" S-56

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to amend its rules governing the Natural Resources Protection Act, site location of development and storm water management to provide that permits issued with respect to these areas are valid for four years after issuance and that a person holding such a permit has seven years to complete a project pursuant thereto may result in a minor cost increase which the DEP can absorb within existing budgeted resources.