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Date: 5/21/13

Majority

L.D. 100
(Filing No. H-214)

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
126TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 82, L.D. 100, Bill, "An Act To Allow Municipalities To Stock Ponds"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Allow the Town of Greene To Stock Allen Pond'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §12758-B is enacted to read:

§12758-B. Fish stocking in Allen Pond

This section governs the stocking of Allen Pond with fish by the Town of Greene.

1. Authority to stock fish. The Town of Greene may stock Allen Pond with fish as long as the Town of Greene:

A. Receives technical assistance and approval from the department for the number and species of fish to be stocked;

B. Purchases the fish to be used for stocking from the department or a hatchery approved by the department;

C. Pays all costs incurred by the department for activities related to stocking Allen Pond; and

D. Provides to and maintains for the public easily identifiable and accessible year-round watercraft access to the pond before any stocking occurs.

2. Regulation of fishing activities. This section may not be construed to authorize the Town of Greene to regulate fishing activities on Allen Pond.'

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This amendment, which is the majority report, replaces the bill. It authorizes the Town of Greene to stock Allen Pond with fish as long as the municipality purchases the fish to be stocked from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife approves the fish being stocked and the municipality provides the public with watercraft access to Allen Pond that is easily identifiable and accessible. It also requires the town to pay any costs incurred by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife associated with the stocking of Allen Pond.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



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An Act To Allow Municipalities To Stock Ponds

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment *A (H-214)*

Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Allowing a municipality to stock a pond with fish if the fish are purchased from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife could result in a minor increase in General Fund revenue not requiring any change to the budget.