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L.D. 269 Date: 5/15/2013 (Filing No. S-85) 2 AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY 3 Reproduced and distributed under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate. 4 **STATE OF MAINE** 5 SENATE 6 7 **126TH LEGISLATURE** 8 FIRST REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 102, L.D. 269, Bill, "An Act To 9 Provide Increased Opportunities on the Allagash Wilderness Waterway" 10 11 Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the 12 summary and inserting the following: 13 'Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §1882-A is enacted to read: 14 §1882-A. Number in user group 15 Beginning with the 2014 season, a group of more than 12 persons of any age, 16 including trip leaders and guides, may not camp overnight at waterway campsites. 17 Groups of up to 18 persons of any age may travel on the watercourse for day use, but may 18 not camp overnight at waterway campsites, except that school groups that notify the 19 division at least 14 days in advance may be allowed to travel on the watercourse and 20 camp overnight at waterway campsites under the direction of the superintendent of the 21 waterway or the superintendent's designee. A school group consisting of more than 18 22 persons of any age, including trip leaders and guides, must separate into self-contained 23 groups of 18 or fewer persons and these groups must travel out of sight of each other or at 24 least one-half mile apart and may not share equipment or campsites. 25 Beginning with the 2014 season, groups of up to 24 persons of any age may access 26 the waterway by snowmobile but only at those locations established in the division's rules 27 at which access is specifically allowed.' 28 **SUMMARY** 29 This amendment is the majority report. The amendment strikes and replaces the bill. 30 Current rules of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of 31 Parks and Public Lands limit to 12 the number of members in a group that may travel on 32 the Allagash watercourse or camp at Allagash Wilderness Waterway campsites. This 33 amendment proposes to retain that rule except for groups of up to 18 persons who limit 34 their use of the watercourse to day use and who do not camp overnight. It also makes 35 exceptions for school groups that notify the division at least 2 weeks in advance and

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travel on the watercourse and camp at waterway campsites under the direction of the 1 waterway's superintendent or the superintendent's designee. The amendment also 2 proposes to allow groups of up to 24 persons to access the waterway by snowmobile at locations that are currently allowed by rule.

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5	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
6	(See attached)

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Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (5-85) Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

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Additional costs to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry associated with rulemaking can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.