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Date: 3/31/14

L.D. 1772

(Filing No. H-770)

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ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1270, L.D. 1772, "Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 200: Metallic Mineral Exploration, Advanced Exploration and Mining, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection"

Amend the resolve by striking out all of section 1 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Adoption. Resolved: That final adoption of Chapter 200: Metallic Mineral Exploration, Advanced Exploration and Mining, a provisionally adopted major substantive rule of the Department of Environmental Protection that has been submitted to the Legislature for review pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A outside the legislative rule acceptance period, is authorized only if the rule is amended as follows:

1. All necessary corrections are made to the Table of Contents so as to correspond with the page numbers and the subchapter, section or subsection titles within the rule; and

2. All other necessary grammatical, formatting, punctuation or other technical editing changes are made to the rule, including the removal of strikethrough letters or words remaining from prior drafts.

Substantive changes to the content of the rule are not authorized under this section.'

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee, amends the resolve to authorize final adoption of Chapter 200: Metallic Mineral Exploration, Advanced Exploration and Mining, a major substantive rule of the Department of Environmental Protection that was filed outside the legislative rule acceptance period, only if the rule is amended to make necessary nonsubstantive grammatical, formatting, punctuation or other technical editing changes.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



126th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1772

LR 2797(03)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 200: Metallic Mineral Exploration, Advanced Exploration and Mining, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

Committee: Environment and Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds
Potential current biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill adopts Chapter 200: Metallic Mineral Exploration, Advanced Exploration and Mining, a rule relating to metallic mineral mining, only if certain grammatical and other edits are made to the rule. This bill will result in potential revenue to the Metallic Mining Fund within the DEP from a processing fee of \$500,000 and an annual license fee of between \$20,000 and \$50,000. All costs to the DEP to administer these rules will be funded by the Metallic Mining Fund within the DEP. The fund has sufficient resources to cover these costs from transfers made to it from Public Law 2011, Chapter 653.