

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 338

House of Representatives, February 24, 2015

### **An Act To Create Jobs in the Forest Products Industry**

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Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative STANLEY of Medway.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, HANINGTON of Lincoln,  
LONG of Sherman, SHORT of Pittsfield, VEROW of Brewer.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §656, sub-§1, ¶K** is enacted to read:

3 K. Land enrolled under the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law when the forest products  
4 that have commercial value, as defined in section 573, subsection 3-B, harvested  
5 from that land are processed solely at mills in this State. The exemption under this  
6 paragraph applies only for the property tax year following the year in which the forest  
7 products are harvested and processed at mills in this State.

8 **Sec. 2. Application.** This Act applies to property tax years beginning on or after  
9 April 1, 2015.

10 **SUMMARY**

11 This bill provides a complete exemption from property tax for land enrolled under the  
12 Maine Tree Growth Tax Law when the forest products harvested from that land are  
13 processed solely at mills located in Maine.