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S.P. 89

In Senate, January 31, 2017

An Act To Change the Name of Captain Ambrose Bear Stream

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative SHERMAN of Hodgdon.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §467, sub-§15, ¶E**, as amended by PL 2015, c. 12, §1, is
3 further amended to read:

4 E. Meduxnekeag River Drainage.

5 (1) Meduxnekeag River, main stem.

6 (a) From the outlet of Meduxnekeag Lake to the international boundary -
7 Class B.

8 (2) Meduxnekeag River, tributaries - Class B unless otherwise specified.

9 (a) North Branch of the Meduxnekeag River and its tributaries above the
10 Monticello - T.C, R.2, W.E.L.S. boundary - Class A.

11 (b) Moose Brook and its tributaries, upstream of the Ludlow Road in
12 Ludlow - Class A.

13 (c) South Branch of the Meduxnekeag River and its tributaries, upstream of
14 the Oliver Road in Cary - Class A.

15 (d) ~~Captain Ambrose Bear~~ B Stream and tributaries upstream of the Burnt
16 Brow Bridge in Hammond - Class A.

17 **Sec. 2. Name change from Captain Ambrose Bear Stream to B Stream.**
18 The county commissioners of Aroostook County shall rename the stream in and near the
19 Town of Houlton in Aroostook County named Captain Ambrose Bear Stream to B
20 Stream. The commissioners shall provide notice of the new name to the Commissioner
21 of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, the Secretary of the United States Department
22 of the Interior and other public agencies, boards, committees or other groups responsible
23 for changing names of places and ensuring that such name changes appear on maps and
24 other documents.

25 **Sec. 3. Commissioner of Transportation to replace signs.** The
26 Commissioner of Transportation shall replace any sign that is located on the interstate
27 highway that contains a reference to Captain Ambrose Bear Stream to comply with
28 section 2 no later than 30 days after the effective date of this Act.

29 **Sec. 4. Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.** The Commissioner
30 of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall amend the Department of Inland Fisheries and
31 Wildlife's rules to change the name of Captain Ambrose Bear Stream to B Stream in all
32 rules that mention the stream.

33 **SUMMARY**

34 This bill requires the Aroostook County Commissioners to rename Captain Ambrose
35 Bear Stream in and near the Town of Houlton in Aroostook County to B Stream. The bill
36 also requires the county commissioners to notify the appropriate authorities and agencies
37 of the name change. The Department of Transportation is required to change any existing
38 road signs designating Captain Ambrose Bear Stream to refer to B Stream. The bill also

1 requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to amend its rules to change the
2 name of Captain Ambrose Bear Stream to B Stream, and it changes the name where it
3 appears in statute.