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AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

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**STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
130TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "H" to S.P. 41, L.D. 33, "An Act To Improve the Laws Governing Hemp by Bringing Them into Compliance with Federal Law"

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

'Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Seek Input from Stakeholders on the State's Hemp Program'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to seek input from stakeholders on the State's hemp program. Resolved: That the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall meet with and seek input from stakeholders on the United States Department of Agriculture Domestic Hemp Production Program requirements. The department shall study and monitor other state hemp programs, including states that are following federal hemp program regulations and states that are not in compliance with federal hemp program regulations. The department shall submit a report with findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry no later than December 15, 2021. The joint standing committee may submit a bill to the 130th Legislature relating to the subject matter of the report.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. The amendment directs the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to meet with and seek input from stakeholders on the United States Department of Agriculture Domestic Hemp Production Program requirements. The amendment directs the department to study and monitor other state hemp programs, including states that are following federal hemp program regulations and those that are not in compliance with federal hemp program regulations. The amendment directs the department to submit a report, with findings and recommendations, to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry no later than

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 41, L.D. 33 (S-138)

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December 15, 2021 and gives the joint standing committee authority to submit a bill to the 130th Legislature relating to the subject matter of the report.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT



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LD 33

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An Act To Improve the Laws Governing Hemp by Bringing Them into Compliance with Federal Law

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-130)

Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Any additional costs to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry as a result of conducting a stakeholder group and study regarding compliance with federal hemp program regulations and reporting the findings are anticipated to be minor and can be absorbed within existing budgeted resources.