

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Date: *4/5/22*

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**ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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**130TH LEGISLATURE**

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**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*B*" to S.P. 710, L.D. 1979, "An Act To Sustain Good-paying Jobs in the Forest Products Industry by Ensuring Consistency between Comprehensive River Resource Management Plans and State Water Quality Standards"

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

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**'An Act Regarding Comprehensive River Resource Management Plans'**

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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting the following:

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**'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

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**AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF**

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**Geology and Resource Information Z237**

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Initiative: Provides funding for one Chief Planner position, one Senior Planner position and one limited-period Senior Planner position with an end date of June 30, 2024 and associated All Other costs.

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<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
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POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	2.000
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Personal Services	\$0	\$294,403
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All Other	\$0	\$10,500
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<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$304,903</b>
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**Maine Land Use Planning Commission Z236**

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Initiative: Provides funding for one Senior Planner position and one limited-period Senior Planner position with an end date of June 30, 2024 and associated All Other costs.

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<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
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POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	1.000
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Personal Services	\$0	\$191,408
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All Other	\$0	\$11,200
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**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$0	\$202,608
<b>Office of the Commissioner 0401</b>		
Initiative: Provides funding for technology costs and STA-CAP.		
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>
All Other	\$0	\$19,170
<b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$19,170</b>
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GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$507,511
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$0	\$19,170
<b>DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$526,681</b>

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

**SUMMARY**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, removes from the bill the provision that amends the antidegradation policy under the State's water classification program to provide that, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a person that meets a condition relating to any effect or potential effect on a species that is listed under the United States Endangered Species Act that is imposed or proposed to be imposed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in granting a new license pursuant to 18 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 16, as amended, is considered to have met the State's water quality standards in the event that no equivalent state standard has been set. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 1979

LR 2167(03)

**An Act To Sustain Good-paying Jobs in the Forest Products Industry by Ensuring Consistency between Comprehensive River Resource Management Plans and State Water Quality Standards**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment 'B' (S-521)**

**Committee: Environment and Natural Resources**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

## Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
<b>Net Cost (Savings)</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$507,511	\$531,759	\$335,036
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$507,511	\$531,759	\$335,036
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$19,170	\$19,170	\$15,336

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill modifies the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) criteria used to develop comprehensive river resource management plans. The bill includes appropriations of \$485,811 beginning in fiscal year 2022-23 for one Chief Planner position, two Senior Planner positions and two limited-period Senior Planner positions with an end date of June 30, 2024. The bill also includes appropriations of \$21,700 and allocations of \$19,170 also beginning in fiscal year 2022-23 for technology and all other costs associated with the positions.