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STATE OF MAINE

SENATE

131ST LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to S P 185, L D 404, "Resolve, to Direct the Department of Transportation to Implement the Recommendations of the Mountain Division Rail Use Advisory Council"

Amend the resolve by striking out the title and substituting the following

**'An Act to Direct the Department of Transportation to Construct a Trail Adjacent to Existing Tracks on the Mountain Division Line'**

Amend the resolve by striking out everything after the title and inserting the following

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

**Sec. 1. Trail construction on Mountain Division Line.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 7107, the Department of Transportation shall, subject to available funding resources, permitting and municipal agreements, build an interim 10-foot-wide bicycle and pedestrian trail, surfaced with either pavement or stone dust, adjacent to the existing rail bed and maintain the existing tracks and ties in current condition on the 31 miles of state-owned inactive existing railroad between the Town of Standish and the Town of Fryeburg '

Amend the resolve 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, directs the Department of Transportation to build an interim 10-foot-wide bicycle and pedestrian trail, surfaced with either pavement or stone dust, adjacent to the existing rail bed and maintain the existing tracks and ties in current condition on the 31 miles of state-owned inactive existing railroad between the Town of Standish and the Town of Fryeburg

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**



# 131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 404

LR 421(02)

**Resolve, to Direct the Department of Transportation to Implement the Recommendations of the Mountain Division Rail Use Advisory Council**

**Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "B"**

**Committee: Transportation**

**Fiscal Note Required: Yes**

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## Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill requires the Department of Transportation (DOT), within available resources, to build an interim 10-foot wide bicycle and pedestrian trail adjacent to the existing rail bed and maintain the existing tracks and ties. Many portions of the track, including bridges, would need to be replaced. The cost to perform this work would be approximately \$118 million to \$138 million. If the DOT does not have sufficient available resources, the project may not move forward.