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An Act Establishing a Commercial Forestry Excise Tax and Providing an Appropriation for Refunding Maine Forest Fire Suppression Taxes Paid. Presented by Rep. Cashman of Old Town; Co-sponsored by Sen. Twitchell of Oxford, Rep. Masterman of Milo. Taxation. Majority OTP-AM Accepted (Minority OTP-ND-NT (HP 1171 / LD 1667)). Amended by: CA H-486. Enacted, Approved 11-25-85, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 514.

Original Bill

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Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Taxation

- (Available on request--please include the following citation: cfTAX-FORESTFIRE.pdf (relates to LD 1661))

New Drafts and Amendments

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