1	L.D. 437
2	Date: (Filing No. S- )
3	AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY
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5	STATE OF MAINE
6	SENATE
7	130TH LEGISLATURE
8	FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
9 10	COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " to S.P. 179, L.D. 437, "An Act To Establish the Maine Healthy Soils Program"
11 12 13	Amend the bill in section 1 in c. 7 in §351 in subsection 4 in the first line (page 1, line 14 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "emissions benefits" and inserting the following: 'drawdown'
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17 18 19	Amend the bill in section 1 in c. 7 in §351 in subsection 5 in paragraph A in the last line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "emissions benefits" and inserting the following: 'drawdown'
20 21 22	Amend the bill in section 1 in c. 7 in §352 by striking out all of the first indented paragraph (page 1, lines 37 and 38 and page 2, lines 1 to 4 in L.D.) and inserting the following:
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	'The Maine Healthy Soils Program, referred to in this chapter as "the program," is established within the department and is administered by the commissioner. The commissioner shall consult and cooperate with the University of Maine, the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, soil and water conservation districts as defined in section 3, subsection 2 and the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service in the development and administration of the program. The commissioner may consult with the Department of Environmental Protection in carrying out the purpose of the program.'
31 32 33	Amend the bill in section 1 in c. 7 in §352 in subsection 1 in paragraph B in the 2nd line (page 2, line 9 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "emissions benefits" and inserting the following: 'drawdown'
34	Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

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1 2	'Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.
3	AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF
4	Maine Healthy Soils Fund N358
5 6	Initiative: Provides an allocation to accept grants, bequests, gifts or contributions from any source, public or private, to support the administration of the healthy soils program.
7 8 9	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS 2021-22 2022-23   All Other \$500 \$500
10	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL \$500 \$500
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12 13	Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.
14	SUMMARY
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	This amendment changes "greenhouse gas emissions benefits" to "greenhouse gas drawdown" to more accurately reflect greenhouse gas emissions source reduction or sequestration. The amendment also clarifies that the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry shall not only consult but also cooperate with the University of Maine, the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, state soil and water conservation districts and the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service in the development and administration of the Maine Healthy Soils Program. The amendment provides that the commissioner may consult with the Department of Environmental Protection in carrying out the purpose of the program. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.
25	FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
26	(See attached)