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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 204, L.D. 251, Bill, “An Act To Establish the Wilderness Rescue Fund”

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

'Resolve, To Establish the Wilderness Rescue Task Force'

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

'Sec. 1. Wilderness Rescue Task Force. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall establish the Wilderness Rescue Task Force to study the necessity and feasibility of establishing first aid stations and helicopter landing areas in remote locations where access and first aid supplies may not be readily available to search and rescue personnel; and be it further

Sec. 2. Wilderness Rescue Task Force members. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall seek members to serve on the Wilderness Rescue Task Force that represent the Maine Forest Products Council, the Maine Hospital Association, LifeFlight of Maine and any other entity the department determines is necessary for the purposes of this resolve; and be it further

Sec. 3. Reporting date established. Resolved: That the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall report the findings and recommendations of the Wilderness Rescue Task Force, including proposed legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by February 1, 2012.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve that directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to create the Wilderness Rescue Task Force to study the necessity and feasibility of establishing first aid stations and helicopter landing areas in remote locations where access and first aid supplies may not be readily available to search and rescue personnel. The amendment requires the department to report the task force's

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)