Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §403, sub-§7,** as enacted by PL 1983, c. 458, §1, is amended to read:

7. Kennebec River. The Kennebec River from Bay Point in Georgetown to ~~the Father Curran Bridge in Augusta~~its confluence with the Sebasticook River in Winslow and from the confluence of the Dead River with the Kennebec River up to, but not including, the Harris Dam in Indian Stream Township;

Sec. 2. Report on gravel pit and quarry setbacks and buffers. The Department of Environmental Protection shall review the setback and buffer standards for excavations and quarries, including how setbacks and buffers for areas of steep slopes are addressed. The department shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any necessary implementing legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources by January 15, 2008. The committee may submit legislation relating to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill. Under current law, the Kennebec River from Bay Point in Georgetown to the Father Curran Bridge in Augusta is designated as an outstanding river segment. This amendment would continue the designation from Bay Point in Georgetown to the confluence of the Kennebec River with the Sebasticook River in Winslow as an outstanding river segment. It also directs the Department of Environmental Protection to review the setback and buffer standards for excavations and quarries, including how setbacks and buffers for areas of steep slopes are addressed, and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources by January 15, 2008. It also authorizes the committee to submit legislation relating to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)