**An Act Regarding Rural Water Districts**

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SENATE AMENDMENT “      ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to S.P. 106, L.D. 245, “An Act Regarding Rural Water Districts”

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 1.

Amend the amendment by striking out all of sections 3 and 4 and inserting the following:

'**Sec. 3.** **Small consumer-owned water utility infrastructure grants.** The Department of Environmental Protection shall provide grants to small consumer-owned water utilities for infrastructure improvements. The department shall adopt rules necessary to implement this section, including rules to determine how grants are awarded and to establish caps on grant amounts. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

For the purposes of this section, "small consumer-owned water utility" has the same meaning as in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 6104-A, subsection 1, paragraph C.'

Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

**SUMMARY**

This amendment removes from Committee Amendment "A" the provision that creates the Small Consumer-owned Water Utility Infrastructure Fund and instead directs the Department of Environmental Protection to provide grants for infrastructure improvements to small consumer-owned water utilities.

**SPONSORED BY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**COUNTY: Piscataquis**