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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 892, L.D. 2187, “An Act to Update Certain Water Quality Standards and to Reclassify Certain Waters of the State”

Amend the bill by inserting after section 8 the following:

'Sec. 9. 38 MRSA §467, sub-§1, ¶A, as amended by PL 2021, c. 551, §19, is further amended to read:

- A. Androscoggin River, main stem, including all impoundments.
 - (1) From the Maine-New Hampshire boundary to its confluence with the Ellis River - Class B.
 - (2) From its confluence with the Ellis River to ~~Worumbo Dam in Lisbon Falls~~ Gulf Island Pond Dam in Auburn - Class C.
 - (3) From ~~Worumbo Dam in Lisbon Falls~~ Gulf Island Pond Dam in Auburn to a line formed by the extension of the Bath-Brunswick boundary across Merrymeeting Bay in a northwesterly direction - Class B.'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 13 the following:

'Sec. 14. Effective date. That section of this Act that amends the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, section 467, subsection 1, paragraph A takes effect January 1, 2027.'

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

SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, upgrades the water quality classification of that portion of the Androscoggin River from Gulf Island Pond Dam in Auburn to ~~Worumbo Dam in Libson Falls~~ from Class C to Class B. This upgrade is effective January 1, 2027.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT