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Amend the bill by inserting after section 4 the following:

**‘Sec. 5. Rules regarding wetland compensation.** The Department of Environmental Protection shall amend the rules regarding wetland compensation to require wetland compensation for 15,000 square feet or more of impact to freshwater wetlands. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.’

### **SUMMARY**

This amendment requires the Department of Environmental Protection to amend the rules regarding wetland compensation to lower the threshold for the amount of wetland impact that triggers wetland compensation from 20,000 square feet to 15,000 square feet.