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126TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 640, L.D. 1649, Bill, “An Act To Make Maine Mills More Competitive by Encouraging the Processing of Forest Products at Mills in the United States”

Amend the bill in section 2 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 9 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "April 1, 2014" and inserting the following: 'April 1, 2015'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following:

Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF
Unorganized Territory Education and Services Fund - Finance 0573**

Initiative: Provides funding for one Property Tax Appraiser I position to administer the property tax exemption under the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law when forest products harvested from that land are processed solely at mills in the United States.

GENERAL FUND	2013-14	2014-15
POSITIONS - LEGISLATIVE COUNT	0.000	1.000
Personal Services	\$0	\$17,488
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$17,488</u>

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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SUMMARY

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This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, changes the date of application of the Act from property tax years beginning on or after April 1, 2014 to property tax years beginning on or after April 1, 2015. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

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FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

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(See attached)