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128TH LEGISLATURE
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HOUSE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to S.P. 551, L.D. 1573, Bill, “An Act To Encourage Development in the Logging Industry by Requiring State and Local Government Agencies To Give Preference to Lumber and Solid Wood Products Harvested in the State”

Amend the amendment in the 9th paragraph after the substitute title in the first 5 lines (page 1, lines 33 and 34 and page 2, lines 1 to 3 in amendment) by striking out the first sentence and inserting the following: Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, and to the extent consistent with federal law, if the State provides a subsidy to a landowner who sells timber harvested from the landowner's land in this State, the landowner shall use an in-state contractor to harvest and transport that timber, as long as the price and quality of the work performed by that in-state contractor is equal to that of a contractor from outside the State.

SUMMARY

This amendment removes the requirement that a person who receives a subsidy from the State and who purchases timber give preference to timber harvested by an in-state contractor. Instead this amendment requires a landowner who receives a subsidy from the State and who sells timber harvested from the landowner's land in this State to use an in-state contractor for the harvesting and transportation of that timber, as long as the price and quality of the work performed by that in-state contractor is equal to the price and quality of work performed by a contractor from outside the State.

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