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SENATE AMENDMENT “ ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 1250, L.D. 1744, Bill, “An Act To Protect Maine Lakes”

Amend the amendment in section 2 in §410-M by striking out all of subsection 1 (page 2, lines 25 to 35 in amendment) and inserting the following:

1. Education and technical assistance. Provides education and technical assistance relating to lake functions and values, watershed planning and management, implementation of best management practices, effects of cumulative impacts and applicable laws and rules;

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

Sec. 3. 38 MRSA §418-B is enacted to read:

§418-B. Prohibition on application of fertilizers near great ponds

1. Prohibition. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person may not apply a fertilizer within 25 feet of the normal high-water line of a great pond. As used in this section, "fertilizer" has the same meaning as in section 419, subsection 1, paragraph A-3.

2. Exception. Subsection 1 does not apply to a fertilizer application for the purpose of agriculture. Nothing in this subsection relieves a person applying a fertilizer for the purpose of agriculture from the obligation to comply with all applicable requirements for a nutrient management plan in accordance with Title 7, chapter 747. As used in this section, "agriculture" has the same meaning as in section 436-A, subsection 1-B.'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 5.

SUMMARY

This amendment amends Committee Amendment "A" in the following manner:

1. It amends the provision regarding the education and technical assistance that must be provided by the Department of Environmental Protection in implementing the Lakes Assessment and Protection Program;

2. It amends the prohibition on application of a fertilizer near great ponds by changing the distance from the high-water line within which the prohibition applies and

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1 by removing the exception for persons applying fertilizer to stop, slow or remediate
2 shoreline erosion or damage; and

3 3. It removes the appropriations and allocations section.

4 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

5 **(See attached)**

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