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## **An Act To Designate Cumberland County as a Pine Tree Development Zone**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §5250-J, sub-§3, ¶H,** as repealed and replaced by PL 2005, c. 669, §1, is amended to read:

H. The restrictions contained in paragraph G may be waived for:

(1) Property that is contained within a labor market area that has sustained a greater than 5% loss of population or employed workers during the 3-year period immediately preceding the time of application if the loss was caused by business closings; ~~or~~

(2) Property that is contained within an industrial site with appropriate infrastructure and zoning or other land use regulations in place that has sustained a minimum loss of 500 employed workers during the 5-year period immediately preceding the time of application, as long as an application for a waiver under this subparagraph is received by August 1, 2010. Only a qualified business with a base level of employment equal to zero is eligible to receive Pine Tree Development Zone benefits under this subparagraph; ~~or~~

(3) Property that is contained within Cumberland County.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill waives the Pine Tree Development Zone unemployment and wage requirements for Cumberland County in order to allow the county to be eligible for Pine Tree Development Zone benefits.