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Amendment to HB 124

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT enabling a municipal forest committee or conservation commission to offer surplus
4 money to the municipality for deposit in the municipal unreserved fund balance.

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6 Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

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8 1 Forestry Committee; Conservation Commission; Forest Maintenance Fund; Surplus. Amend
9 RSA 31:113 to read as follows:

10 31:113 Appropriations Authorized. For the purposes of establishing or maintaining a city or
11 town forest, a city or town may raise and appropriate such funds as it deems necessary. The
12 proceeds from said forest shall be placed in a special forest maintenance fund and shall be allowed to
13 accumulate from year to year, unless otherwise voted by the legislative body of such city or town.
14 ***Notwithstanding RSA 31:95-b, if the forestry committee or conservation commission***
15 ***determines that the special forest maintenance fund has a surplus, such committee or***
16 ***commission may, after a majority vote to do so, offer the surplus to the municipality for***
17 ***deposit in the unreserved fund balance. The legislative body of the municipality shall vote***
18 ***to accept the surplus for deposit.***

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill enables a municipal forest committee or conservation commission to determine there is a surplus in the special forest maintenance fund and offer such surplus to the municipality for deposit into the municipal unreserved fund balance.