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This act must not be watered down by big forestry interests.

Our forests are now toothpicks. This is the first winter without the iconic dark-eyed junco not visiting our feeders. I've been feeding our winter birds for over 40 years now. We don't have enough oak and black cherry to host the insects required for our migratory birds.

The planet's bird and insect population is collapsing. We clear-cut our forests during breeding season. We cut our forest up to the edges of our streams, rivers and lakes.

We listened to fishermen that demanded the cod fishery remained open with unsustainable harvest limits and now we are doing that to our forests.

Support this act. We need to live sustainably with Mother Nature.

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Nova Scotia Needs Healthy Forests Fred Campaigne