

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 **Legislative Document**

**No. 1776**

6 H. P. 1786 House of Representatives, January 7, 1982

7 Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to  
8 Joint Rule 26.

Referred to the Committee on Marine Resources. Sent up for con-  
currence and 1,600 ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

9 Presented by Representative Crowley of Stockton Springs.

10 Cosponsors: Representative Cahill of Woolwich, Senator Shute of  
11 Waldo and Representative Vose of Eastport.

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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO  
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17 AN ACT to Require the Department of Environ-  
18 mental Protection to Obtain the Approval of the  
19 Commissioner of Marine Resources Prior to Issuing  
20 a License to Discharge Waste Waters to Tidal Waters.  
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22 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

23 38 MRSA §414-A, sub-§1, ¶F is enacted to read:

24 F. The Commissioner of Marine Resources has, in writ-  
25 ing, determined that the discharge by itself or in com-  
26 bination with other discharges will not adversely  
27 effect marine organisms. That determination by the  
28 commissioner shall be made within 30 days of receipt of  
29 notice that the Department of Environmental Protection  
30 is considering an application to tidal waters. This  
31 subsection only applies to tidal waters as defined in  
32 section 361-A, subsection 5.

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Statement of Fact

2           This bill requires the approval of the Commissioner of  
3 Marine Resources before any discharge of pollutants to tidal  
4 waters may be given by the Department of Environmental Pro-  
5 tection. This enables the Department of Marine Resources to  
6 evaluate the impact of the proposed discharge on marine  
7 organisms.