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1 2 3	(EMERGENCY) SECOND REGULAR SESSION
4 5	ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE
6 7	Legislative Document No. 1778
8 9	H. P. 1788 House of Representatives, January 7, 1982 Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26. Referred to the Committee on Public Utilities. Sent up for concurrence and Ordered Printed. EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
11 12	Presented by Representative Perkins of Brooksville.
13 14	STATE OF MAINE
15 16 17	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO
18 19 20	AN ACT to Prevent the Pollution of Burntland Pond.
21 22 23	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and
24 25	Whereas, Burntland Pond in the lower part of Stonington serves as the source of the municipal water supply; and
26 27 28	Whereas, it is extremely important that this important resource be protected from pollution in order to insure the purity of that water supply; and

Whereas, this protection must be provided as soon as possible to insure that no pollution occurs; and

3 4	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,
6	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

P&SL 1907, c.240, §19 is enacted to read:

Sec. 19. Prevention of pollution. The trustees may adopt bylaws designed to prevent the pollution of Burntland Pond. The bylaws may be designed to prevent or regulate activities in or on the waters of that pond, including boating, bathing, swimming, washing of apparel and snowmobiling, and snowmobiling or camping within 200 feet of the shore.

Violations of the bylaws adopted under this section are punishable as civil violations for which a forfeiture of not more than \$100 may be adjudged.

The trustees are authorized to bring an action for equitable relief to restrain the violation of a bylaw adopted under this section.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved. to

22 Statement of Fact

This bill permits the Stonington Water Company to adopt bylaws regulating or preventing activities which may pollute Burntland Pond, a major water source.