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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
121ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 510, L.D. 693, Bill, "An Act To Ensure the Safety of Children Touring Hazardous Facilities"

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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

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'An Act To Ensure the Safety of Children Touring Incinerator Facilities'

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Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

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'Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §590-F is enacted to read:

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§590-F. Safety precautions for children touring incinerator facilities

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A resource recovery facility burning municipal solid waste may not permit students who have not yet entered 7th grade to enter the facility for the purpose of touring the facility. Prior to allowing 7th grade, 8th grade and secondary school students of a public or private school to enter a resource recovery facility that burns municipal solid waste for the purpose of touring the facility:

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1. List of violations to superintendent or headmaster. The facility shall send to the office of the superintendent within the school administrative unit or to the headmaster of the

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private school a list of air quality violations issued to the facility by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration within the last 2 years; and

2. List to parents. The office of the superintendent or the headmaster shall send the list of violations under subsection 1 to the parent or guardian of any participating student.'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment requires resource recovery facilities that burn municipal solid waste to send a list of Occupational Safety and Health Administration air quality violations to a school prior to allowing students to enter the facility for the purpose of touring the facility; the list must be forwarded to the parent of any student touring the facility. The amendment prohibits resource recovery facilities that burn municipal solid waste from permitting students who have not yet entered 7th grade to enter the facility for the purpose of touring the facility.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)



121st Maine Legislature
Office of Fiscal and Program Review

LD 693

An Act to Ensure the Safety of Children Touring Incinerator Facilities

LR 0344(04)

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment " "

Committee: Natural Resources

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Majority

Fiscal Note

No fiscal impact to State funds.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This legislation requires superintendents of local school units and headmasters of private schools to notify parents of air quality violations of facilities in which children of those schools may be touring. Since having school children tour these facilities is an option of the local schools, there is no state mandate associated with this requirement.