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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
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a municipal fire department pursuant to Title 30-A, chapter 153.

3. Term. The name of a displaced civilian federal firefighter in the database must be maintained for no less than 4 years unless the department is notified that the firefighter has requested to be removed from the database.

4. Consultation. The department may consult with organizations that represent the interests of civilian federal firefighters when establishing the database.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 372

S.P. 658 - L.D. 1664

An Act to Amend the Dirigo Business Incentives Program

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §5219-AAA, sub-§1, ¶I, as enacted by PL 2023, c. 412, Pt. J, §13, is amended to read:

I. "Layoff" means a reduction in workforce at a qualified business with 20 or more persons employed during any one of the preceding 4 quarters that results in an employment loss for at least 2 consecutive months within the same tax year of at least 20% of the qualified business's employees in this State. "Layoff" does not mean a reduction in workforce due to a catastrophic event or due to a restriction on the weight or passage of any vehicle over any way by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Title 29-A, section 2395.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 373

H.P. 197 - L.D. 297

An Act Regarding the Management of Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge at the State-owned Landfill

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1310-N, sub-§5-A, ¶B, as amended by PL 2023, c. 517, §5, is further amended by amending subparagraph (2) to read:

(2) A solid waste processing facility that generates residue requiring disposal shall recycle or process into fuel for combustion through

methods other than chemical plastic processing all waste accepted at the facility to the maximum extent practicable, but in no case at a rate less than 50%. For purposes of this subsection, "recycle" does not include chemical plastic processing and does include, but is not limited to, plastic-to-plastic recycling; the reuse of waste generated within the State as defined in section 1303-C, subsection 40-A, paragraph C; the recovery of metals from waste; the use of waste or waste-derived product as material substitutes in construction; and the use of waste as boiler fuel substitutes.

At least 50% of the waste that a solid waste processing facility characterizes as recycled under this subparagraph must have been reused or recycled by the facility through methods other than placement of the waste in a solid waste landfill, except that a solid waste processing facility that was in operation during calendar year 2018, that accepts exclusively construction and demolition debris and that accepted more than 200,000 tons of such debris in calendar year 2018 shall:

- (a) Reuse or recycle at least 15% of such debris through methods other than placement in a solid waste landfill by July 1, ~~2024~~ 2026;
- (b) Reuse or recycle at least 20% of such debris through methods other than placement in a solid waste landfill by July 1, ~~2025~~ 2027;
- (c) Reuse or recycle at least 30% of such debris through methods other than placement in a solid waste landfill by July 1, ~~2026~~ 2028;
- (d) Reuse or recycle at least 40% of such debris through methods other than placement in a solid waste landfill by July 1, ~~2027~~ 2029; and
- (e) Reuse or recycle at least 50% of such debris through methods other than placement in a solid waste landfill by July 1, ~~2028~~ 2030.

Sec. 2. PL 2023, c. 283, §2 is amended to read:

Sec. 2. Temporary allowance for disposal or placement of oversized bulky waste in landfill. Notwithstanding any provision of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, section 1303-C, subsection 40-A to the contrary, for the period beginning ~~on the effective date of this Act~~ June 23, 2023 and ending July 1, ~~2025~~ 2027:

1. If in any 12-month period the total weight of the residue generated by a solid waste processing facility and disposed of or otherwise placed in a solid waste