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STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
BILL SUMMARY



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- 1216 AN ACT TO MAKE ALLOCATIONS FROM THE LOW-LEVEL WASTE SITING FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1984 AND JUNE 30, 1985 Mitchell, J LV/WD
- 1232 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND AMEND THE AIR QUALITY STANDARDS AND ESTABLISH A CHROMIUM EMISSION STANDARD Mitchell, J PL 1983, c. 359

SUMMARY: Regulates the emissions of hexavalent chromium, a human respiratory carcinogen, through the establishment of ambient air quality standards and emissions standards for potential emitters of this pollutant.

- 1250 AN ACT TO REVISE THE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM FOR MAINE WATERS Pray HELD IN COMMITTEE
- 1251 AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC USE AND ENJOYMENT OF MAINE'S IMPORTANT RIVERS Brown, L ONTP
- 1252 AN ACT CONCERNING INSPECTION, REGISTRATION AND ABANDONMENT OF DAMS Erwin, E PL 1983, c. 417

SUMMARY: Revises the existing statutes dealing with the inspection, registration and abandonment of dams and the setting of water levels and to transfer the administration of these statutes from the Department of Agriculture Food & Rural Resources to the Department of Environmental Protection.

- 1277 AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPS ON LEASEHOLD LAND OWNED BY THE STATE Dexter HELD IN COMMITTEE
- 1296 AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE WISE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF MAINE'S OUTSTANDING RIVER RESOURCES Kany OTP-ND

Enacted in New Draft as LD 1721 (PL 1983 c 458)

SUMMARY: In passing this bill, the Legislature decided that a policy concerning the future care and development of Maine's rivers and streams was necessary to strike a balance among the various, and sometimes conflicting, user of those waterways. In order to implement this policy the Legislature found it appropriate to:

prohibit the permitting or licensing of new dams on 1,051 miles