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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES
BILL SUMMARY



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840 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MANDATORY ENERGY EFFICIENCY BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR THE STATE

CONNOLLY

LV-WD

HOUSE Accepted Committee Report SENATE Accepted Committee Report GOV

SUMMARY:

This bill would have made the state's voluntary Energy Efficiency Building Standards mandatory by requiring all nonresidential structures built or substantially renovated after January 1, 1987, to meet the Energy Efficienty Building Standards. All new and substantially renovated residential structures would have been required to meet the minimum energy performance standards by January 1, 1988.

LD:	961	961 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MAINE LAND AND WATER RESOURCES COUNCIL GROUND WATER REVIEW POLICY COMMITTEE					KANY MICHAUD TRAFTON MITCHELL
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SUMMARY:

The Governor's Land and Water Resources Council proposed a program to control the contamination of ground water from road salt storeage piles. Municipal authority to enact zoning and regulatory controls to prevent contamination of aquifers was extended to include aquifer recharge areas. Existing law requires a wastewater discharge license for salt piles although this requirement has not been enforced. To facilitate practical control of the problem, the bill proposed an exemption from licensing when the design of the storeage facility met standards established by the Department of Environmental Protection. A deadline for implementation of discharge controls was established (January 1, 1991) in the original bill. The bill also removed a specific reference to "salt piles" in the definition of "hazardous activities" under the Site Location Law (Title 38 §481 et seq.). Salt storeage facilities are not removed from other provisions of the Site Location Law.