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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1677

H. P. 1348 House of Representatives, January 6, 1970
The Committee on Public Utilities suggested.
BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk
Presented by Mr. Eustis of Dixfield.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
AND SEVENTY

**AN ACT Clarifying the Laws Relating to Licensing of Sewage Treatment
Plant Operators.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 32, § 4171, sub-§ 3, repealed and replaced. Subsection 3 of section 4171 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 237 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

3. Operator. "Operator" shall mean the person who has direct responsibility for the operation of any wastewater treatment plant serving a public purpose.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 32, § 4173, repealed and replaced. Section 4173 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 237 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 4173. Certification; certified operator required

The commission shall certify persons as to their competency to supervise successfully the operation of wastewater treatment plants. There shall be at least one certified operator on duty during each shift of operation of a wastewater treatment plant.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 32, § 4177, repealed and replaced. Section 4177 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 237 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

§ 4177. Without examination, other owners

Certificates may be issued without examination to the person or persons certified by the governing body or owner to have been in direct responsible charge of a wastewater treatment plant on October 1, 1969. A certificate so issued will be valid only for operation of the treatment plant described in the certification of the governing body or owner, and any subsequent additions or improvements thereto.

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 32, § 4178, amended. Section 4178 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 237 of the public laws of 1969, is amended by adding the following new sentence:

Wastewater treatment plants treating 1,000 gallons per day or less of domestic sanitary sewage need not be attended by an operator certified under this chapter.