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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 719

S. P. 220 In Senate, February 20, 1975 Referred to Committee on Natural Resources. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Johnston of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Provide for Prompt Determinations under the Site Location of Development Act.

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

- Sec. 1. 38 MRSA § 482, sub-§ 2-A is enacted to read:
- 2-A. Major development. "Major development" is a development which may substantially affect the environment if its estimated total cost upon completion exceeds \$1,000,000.
- Sec. 2. 38 MRSA § 484, first ¶, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 618, § 12, is further amended by adding at the end the following:

Any hearing or hearings held on a notification filed for a major project shall be completed and adjourned, with all testimony and other proceedings concluded within 120 days from the date notification is submitted pursuant to section 482 or within 90 days for any other development, unless the person filing such notification requests a continuance beyond the expiration of such period. In the event such hearing is not concluded within the specified time period and the lack of such conclusion is not attributable to the person filing such notification, the development shall be deemed approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill would require prompt determinations on applications for development filing under the Site Location of Development Act.